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JAPANESE BEGIN ADVANCE ALONG MIRS BAY COASTAL ROAD

JAPANESE SEIZURE OF CANTON CUSTOMS

Chungking, To-day.

"The action of the Japanese in South China is similar to their interference elsewhere under Japanese military occupation," declared the Finance Ministry spokesman had extended control over the on the report that the Japanese Customs in Canton.

He added: "The Customs funds in such areas are now deposited in the Yokohama Specie Bank."

Questioned whether Sir Frederick Maze, Inspector-General of Customs, received orders from the Chinese or Japanese, the spokesman replied: "Sir Frederick receives orders from the Ministry of Finance, but due to Japanese pressure is unable to carry out all instructions."

"The interport duty, which had been abolished, has been revived since the outbreak of hostilities."

Goods paying duty levied by the Japanese sponsored regimes must pay in addition the Chinese national tariff when entering Chinese territory." — Reuter.

"BLUELAND" DESTROYER ATTACK ON H.K.

IT IS REVEALED IN AN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE THAT "BLUELAND" INVADDED "REDLAND" FROM THE NORTH AND IS NOW FIRMLY HELD UP ON THE LINE OVERLOOKING TIDE COVE AND TOLO HARBOURS.

In the early hours of this morning, "Blue-land" naval forces made a destroyer attack on the entrances of the harbour, the one on the East

First appearance of Japanese troops on the Chinese side of the Hong Kong border is expected to be made within the next 48 hours.

Authoritative quarters and the "China Mail's" special correspondent on the Border state that there is not the slightest foundation for reports that the Japanese have landed in Taishan Bay, north-west of Hong Kong.

There is, however, considerable Japanese military activity towards the east. Fresh landings have been made in Bias Bay, and it is reported that Japanese troops are slowly progressing along the coastal road bordering Mirs Bay.

A second column is reported to be halfway between Lungkong and Pingwu on the Kowloon-Canton Railway and the occupation of the railway town is anticipated by nightfall.

Japanese troops will then be within fifteen miles of the British border. They will probably move north to meet forces advancing from Sheklung down the railway, in order to take the Chinese forces between two fires.

If the Japanese intend, as seems likely from recent moves, to occupy Shumchun, this will probably be left to troops advancing from Bias Bay.

being easily repulsed. The attack on the West was launched with great determination and succeeded in doing some damage to the ships in the harbour.

Two destroyers were sunk and one disabled before the attack was driven off.

The Commander of the "Blue-land" forces on the Mainland reports that the enemy are using gas. The facts are being communicated to the League of Nations.

There is nothing to report from the defenders of the Island of Hong Kong.

NO REPLY FROM TOKYO ON SAFETY ZONES

It is officially learned that the request of the British authorities for establishment of safety zones in the Shumchun district has not yet been favourably received.

No reply had up to 8 p.m. been received from Tokyo, where the matter was referred, but the District Magistrate in the Po On area has notified his willingness to co-operate.

Refugees are still crossing the border, but others are being persuaded to stay on the Chinese side on assurances that if the safety zone scheme falls through, they will be given access to British territory.

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U. S. Faith In Her Isolation

Shaken By Events Of The Crisis

Less Reliance On British Navy

Mr. Winston Churchill is likened to George Canning, the British Statesman, who in 1826 "called in the New World to redress the balance of the old," by the "Washington Post."

This newspaper frequently reflects the attitude of the Department of State in its editorial columns.

"The American people, rightly or wrongly, will find it difficult to think that aggression and conquest in other Continents are their vital concern," states the leading article.

"Their faith in isolation is too profound, and their trust in the immensity of the Atlantic and Pacific oceans too abiding."

The newspaper considers that any threat to Britain which was sufficiently great to menace her independence would inevitably menace that of the United States, too, bringing her into the conflict in self-defence.

"Meantime each of the two nations has the obvious and sometimes parallel duty of looking after its own interests," continues the article.

The "New York Times" takes a different view, pointing out that "the very Governments which profess to believe that the nations of the world should not allow themselves to be drawn into the purely theoretical antagonism between democracy and dictatorship lack faith in the success of the policy of appeasement; hence they arm."

U.S. REARMAMENT

This newspaper, which has always supported international collaboration, concludes: "The world

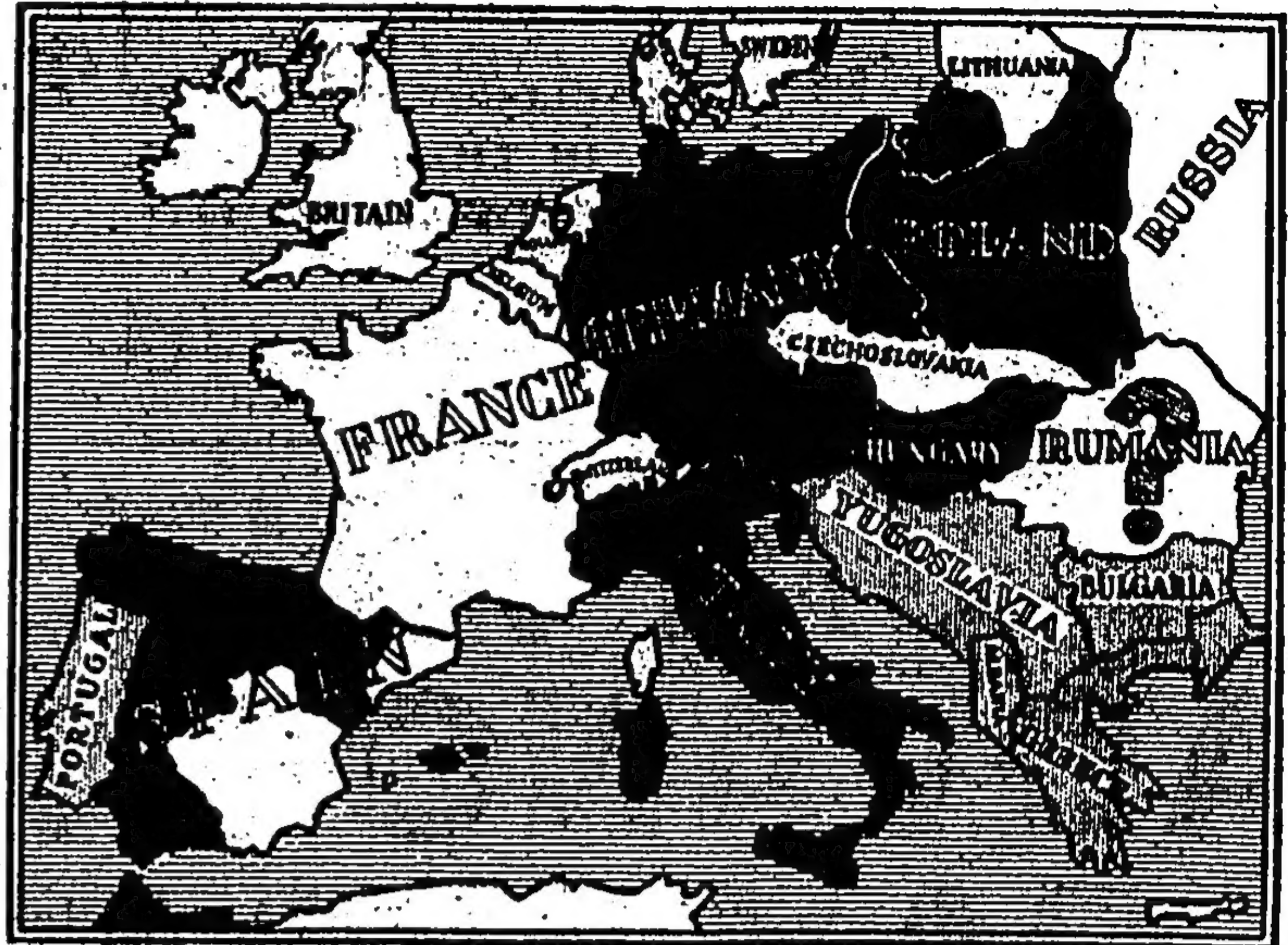
will not know a real respite from war and the recurrent threats of violence until the strength of the nations that want peace on honourable terms is ranged behind law and order."

The well-known publicist, Mr. Walter Lippmann, takes a similar view, and strongly supports United States rearmament. He points out that it is no longer possible to take shelter behind the European democracies while mobilising American resources against the threat of external aggression.

"That was all very well," he said, "so long as no foreign Power could reach this hemisphere until it had disposed of the British Navy."

"But in the world of to-day the action of the British Navy is paralysed by the aerial threat to London, the place from which the Navy is commanded. By this epoch-making event the foundations of our whole position in the world are altered."

The American rearmament programme, whatever the motives which inspired it—and some consider that these are mainly political and economic—has concentrated attention on the future of American foreign policy, and no longer on the defects or merits of the European policy.



EUROPE'S NEW BALANCE OF POWER

Democratic States and their allies are shown white. Fascist countries are shown black, and the shaded areas are countries under the domination of the Rome-Berlin Axis.

Kenya Defence Force Re-Organised

London, To-day. Special consideration had been given to the defences of Kenya, and the military forces there have recently been reorganised on the basis of the latest modern armament requirements, declared the Dominions and Colonial Secretary, Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, replying to a question in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Macdonald added it had not yet been possible to deliver up to date equipment required to meet the needs of the new organisation, but all possible steps were being taken to expedite delivery.

Mr. Macdonald also announced that arrangements had already been made in appropriate cases to supply colonial dependencies with anti-gas equipment for the civilian population.

The position of Kenya and certain other dependencies was under review. — Reuter.

NO STEPS TAKEN TO MEDIATE IN SPAIN

London, To-day.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied "No" when asked in the Commons whether the Government had recently made approaches to both sides in Spain with a view to obtaining a settlement of the Spanish dispute.

Asked why not, Mr. Butler declared the Government would be only too pleased to see the end of the conflict but they had not found up to the moment a suitable opportunity for taking the steps suggested. — Reuter.

FACTS ABOUT WATER METER REQUIREMENTS

There appears to be some misapprehension in regard to the requirements of the new Waterworks Ordinance (Ordinance No. 20 of 1938), which becomes effective on 1.1.39.

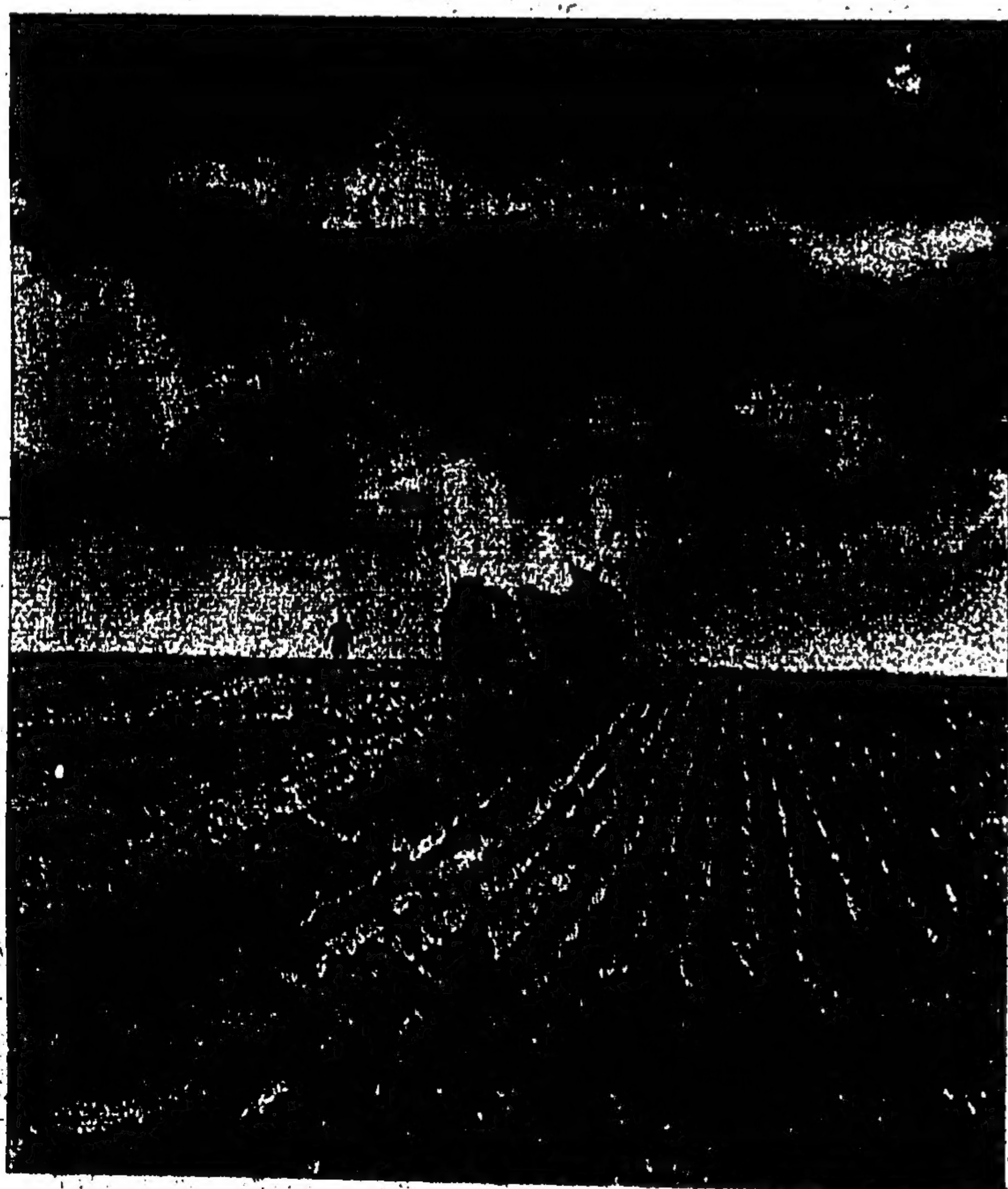
Many consumers seem to have the impression that in tenement houses separate meters must be applied for in respect of each floor, and cases have come to the notice of Government in which landlords have so informed tenants.

This is incorrect, although as a rule the Water Authority will not refuse to grant applications for separate floor meters provided stocks are available.

Tenants, therefore, have the option of applying for separate floor meters, or arranging amongst themselves to retain the existing meter supplying the whole house and so avoiding the cost of altering the internal service and paying rent for three or four meters instead of one. In cases where it is proposed to retain the existing meter, it would be necessary for one tenant to guarantee payment of any deposit required, the cost of all water consumed and the meter rent, in respect of the whole house.

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BRITAIN'S RELATIONS WITH FRANCE AND GERMANY

Leading London Journals Differ In Views

Three Steps Towards World Appeasement

London, To-day.

Britain's relations with France and Germany are discussed by the "Times" in a length editorial on the British Ministers' visit to Paris.

As long as France pursued a policy aiming at the encirclement of Germany, England felt that it was supporting an artificial system which is due to collapse sooner or later. This uncomfortable feeling burdened Anglo-French relations as long as France had commitments in Eastern Europe in which England had not and could not have part but which might have involved England in view of her obligations towards France.

Since France's encirclement policy had now definitely broken down, it had become easier for England as well as France to pursue a common policy in the defence of common interests.

MUST BE IMPROVED

"The Times" refers to the interests of the two countries in the Mediterranean and the Near and Far East. The Munich agreement, the agreement with Italy and the Anglo-American commercial agreement were three steps towards improvement of the international situation which must be followed by other. The relations between Italy and France must be improved. Any change in these relations must, however, affect the Mediterranean and Spanish questions in which France's and England's interests were identical. Both countries wished to maintain a safe route through the Mediterranean and to see Spain independent from a foreign control emerge from the civil conflict.

The paper refers to recent endeavours to stabilize Franco-German relations by a similar declaration as the Anglo-German declaration signed by Hitler and Chamberlain at Munich and declares that it can be regarded as practically certain that these endeavours will be successful.

LESS OPTIMISTIC

The "Daily Telegraph" is less optimistic than the "Times." The paper says that although immediately after the Munich conference there appeared to be hope that the peace policy initiated at Munich might be extended so as to include France, some clouds had appeared on the horizon during the last two weeks. It was possible, therefore, that the forthcoming conversations between the British and French Ministers in Paris would move in a direction other than originally intended. —Trans-Ocean.

SPAIN OFF AGENDA

Well-informed sources declare that the granting of belligerent rights to General Franco will not be the subject of much debate in

the Anglo-French talks as Mr. Chamberlain is disposed to leave the matter to the Non-Intervention Committee.

CONVERSATIONS OPEN TO-DAY

London, To-day.

It is expected that conversations between the French statesmen and their British guests will be opened this morning.

It was announced in Paris yesterday that the German Foreign Minister is expected there shortly for signature of a Franco-German peace pact on the lines of the joint declaration at Munich by Herr Hitler and Mr. Chamberlain.

It is understood that the French Government have kept Britain fully informed of this development.

Last evening the General Council of the Trades Union Congress, which met yesterday, sent a telegram to the Prime Minister in Paris expressing concern at reports suggesting the granting of belligerent rights to the two sides in the Spanish Civil War and urging him not be a party to such a proposal. —British Wireless.

CHINESE COUNTER-ATTACK IN NORTH HUPEH

Chungking, To-day.

Wushengkwan, strategic pass on the Honan-Hupeh border, and the gateway to north Hupeh, was recaptured by the Chinese in a smashing attack on Tuesday night, according to military advices.

A strong Chinese column forced its way from Pingchinkwan, to the west, and after a bitter engagement, broke Japanese resistance.

The Chinese counter-attacking at Sinyang, on the Peking-Hankow Railway, about 27 miles north of Wushengkwan, are tightening their encirclement of the town. Fighting which has been raging there for days continues with undiminished severity. —Central News.

JEWISH CHILDREN FIRST

London, To-day.

A scheme has been agreed by the international aid committee to eliminate delays in the issue of visas to Jewish children in Germany, said Mr. Geoffrey Lloyd, Under-Secretary for Home Affairs, in reply to a question in the House of Commons yesterday.

As far as the British Government is concerned, he said, educational facilities would be granted under care of the committee. —Reuter.

VIOLENT GALE STILL RAGING IN CHANNEL

LONDON, TO-DAY.

OWING TO THE GALE RAGING IN THE CHANNEL IT WAS DECIDED YESTERDAY AFTERNOON TO POSTPONE SAILING OF H.M.S. ROYAL OAK WITH THE COFFIN OF THE LATE QUEEN MAUD AND THE NORWEGIAN ROYAL MOURNERS ON BOARD FOR 24 HOURS.

Reports from all over Southern England describe widespread damage caused by wind, and several deaths have occurred as a result of collapse of walls and masonry and other objects being hurled from tops of buildings.

A number of small steamers have been blown ashore and lifeboats have been called out to take off the crews. The gale has also caused flooding in a number of seacoast towns.

Roads are blocked by fallen trees and over seven hundred telephone lines had been affected by the afternoon, and nearly four thousand individual subscribers cut off. —British Wireless.

THE ST. LUCIA DISASTER

London, To-day.

At the command of the King, the Colonial Secretary has sent telegram to the Governor of the Windward Islands conveying His Majesty's profound regret at Monday's disastrous landslide in Santa Lucia, and sincere sympathy with the sufferers and their relatives as well as his people in the colony as a whole.

The sympathy of the Commons was also expressed by Mr. MacDonald in answering a question yesterday afternoon.

He informed the House that the Governor estimated that about fifty were killed and forty injured. —British Wireless.

NAZI LIBELS ON FORCES IN PALESTINE

LONDON, TO-DAY.

NAZI NEWSPAPERS HAVE BEEN ACCUSING BRITISH TROOPS AND POLICE IN PALESTINE OF LOOTING, RAPE, MURDER AND TORTURE.

This was revealed in the House of Commons yesterday when the Government was asked whether attention had been drawn to statements to this effect appearing in the controlled Nazi press yesterday.

Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, declared: "There of course is no truth whatever in this newspaper story."

"I repeat Mr. Chamberlain's observations that the German Government must be well aware of the unfortunate effect of such articles on Anglo-German relations." —Reuter.

U.S. TO BOOST AIRCRAFT OUTPUT TO 1,000 MONTHLY

Washington, To-day.

America's aircraft manufacturers are seeking means to treble their output in order to keep pace with President Roosevelt's plan to acquire the world's biggest air fleet.

At a conference held yesterday between the representatives of the leading aircraft manufacturing companies and Government officials, a programme was laid down for a mass production goal of 1,000 planes monthly to be attained within a few months.

Some of President Roosevelt's advisers hope within two years that the capacity although not the actual output of the industry will be increased to two thousand planes a month. —Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone is regaining intensity, pressure being highest to the north-west of Shantung. The depression is crossing Palawan (about 750 miles S.E. of Hong Kong) on a westerly track.

Local forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh; fine.

PARIS AIR SHOW

London, To-day.

The Secretary for Air has accepted an invitation to visit on December 3 the Aero Exhibition in Paris, at which R.A.F. has for the first time furnished an exhibit. —British Wireless.

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Dance.
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Tel. 30938.**RETURNED BANISHEE
SENTENCED**Lee Nam, aged 31, unemployed,
was charged before Mr. R. Edwards
at the Central Magistracy this
morning, with receiving a fountain
pen, the property of Mr. L. Blair,
of No. 70 Broadwood Road.Defendant denied the charge,
said that someone threw the pen at
him, and when he picked it up, he
was arrested.He was also charged with return-
ing to the Colony, during his 10
years banishment, in August 1930.A sentence of four months' hard
labour was imposed on the first
charge and another six months' for
the second.Detective Sergeant H. B. Dewar
prosecuted.**CONSIDERATION FOR
MAGISTRATE AS EXCUSE**KNOWING THAT OFFICE HOURS ENDED AT 5 P.M. HE
OBLIGED THE MAGISTRATE BY NOT CONTESTING THE
ACCUSATIONS AGAINST HIM, FOR WHEN THE TIME
CAME FOR HIM TO MAKE A STATEMENT, IT WAS AL-
MOST 5 P.M.This was explanation given by
28-year-old Yuen Hon when asked
this morning at the Criminal Ses-
sions why he did not tell the ma-
gistrate that he was not the owner of
the 79,472 heroin pills, of the pos-
session of which he was accused.According to the Crown, repre-
sented by Mr. John Whyatt, accus-
ed was found by a pork-seller, Hui
Kai, at 6 a.m. on October 26 on the
staircase leading to the third floor
of No. 10, Jubilee Street. Hui,
knowing that the man had no right
to be on the premises, kicked him,
and as he did so, heard the man
drop something before running
down the stairs.Hui pursued him into Queen's
Road Central and handed him over
to an Indian constable.**CONSTABLE REBUKED**On the staircase were found a
rattan case and a flour bag con-
taining the pills.Giving evidence this morning,
the constable could not definitely
state whether they were found on
the landing of the first floor or of
the second.Asked whether he made any notes
of the case in his notebook, wit-
ness replied in the negative.Mr. Justice Lindsell: "Why?"—
"I thought I would enter it up after
the case was finished at the Su-
preme Court."Mr. Justice Lindsell: "Mr.
Whyatt, I trust that this man will
be dealt with by the Police Depart-
ment. He has utterly neglected his
duty."Accused, in the witness-box, said
he was a tenant of the third floor
of No. 10, Jubilee Street. When
he knocked for admission, the door
was opened by Hui, who shouted
thief and kicked him. He ran into
the street. He knew nothing of
the rattan case and flour bag un-
til he was taken to the staircase by
Hui and the constable.Accused denied all knowledge of
the heroin pills.The jury found him guilty and
he was sentenced to three years'
hard labour.**PIRACY ATTEMPT
IN BRITISH
WATERS**Yip Tai Pak, aged 38, master of
cargo boat No. 308Y, has reported
to the Police, that about 9 a.m. yes-
terday, he was sailing from Tai
Ning to Castle Peak with a cargo
of salt water grass. When off Yung
Long Wan, British Waters, a small
boat under sail coming from the
direction of Deep Bay, fired on his
boat and ordered him to stop. He
refused, and sailed towards a large
junk nearby, and called for help.The people of the large junk open-
ed fire on the robbers' boat. The
boat was over-powered and all five
men arrested. Two revolvers and
28 rounds of ammunition were later
found in the small boat.It was believed that one of the
robbers was shot and fell overboard.Miss Luz Rauago, residing at the
Trocadero Hotel, has reported that
while she was visiting a friend at
No. 98 Parke Street, on Tuesday,
she lost a handbag, containing a sum
of \$52, from the above address.**INCREASE IN
H.K. TRAFFIC
ACCIDENTS**A net increase of 600 motor
vehicles in the Colony in 1937 as
compared with 1936 is revealed in
the report of the Commissioner of
Police.The total number of accidents re-
ported during the year was 2,589
as against 2,483 in the year 1936.
The total number of persons killed
was 81 as against 75 in the year
1936.The total number of Public Motor
Vehicles examined and passed fit
for public use during the year was
4,713 as against 4,458 in the year
1936.The total number Commercial Mo-
tor Vehicles examined and passed fit
for commercial use during the year
was 7,698 as against 7,400 in the
year 1936.Motor driver's licences suspended
during the year numbered 71 as
against 107 in the year 1936. The
Licences cancelled totalled 3 as
against 7 in the year 1936.During 1937 the following amend-
ments to existing traffic regulations
were made:—

- (1) A 30 M.P.H. speed limit was made in built up areas.
- (2) Queen's Road, except between Arsenal Street and Murray Road, was made a 20 M.P.H. control.
- (3) Silent Zones were commenced.
- (4) A 2 hour limit was made for certain car parks.
- (5) Motor licence fees were in-creased.

**KEPT IN COURT
FOR BEING LATE**MR. M. BERAHA, PRINCIPAL
OF MESSRS. BERAHA
AND COMPANY, GOLD AND
DIAMOND DEALERS, WAS
DETAINED THROUGH-
OUT THE CRIMINAL SES-
SIONS AT THE SUPREME
COURT THIS MORNING.He was absent when his name
was called out to serve the jury.Later he turned up and ex-
plained that his "watch was in-
correct."The Acting Chief Justice, Mr.
Justice R. E. Lindsell, ordered
him to remain in the Court until
the conclusion of the case.A Chinese woman, Au Yeung
Kam, residing at No. 11 Upper
Lascar Row, reported that some one
entered her house some time last
night and stole a jar containing \$94
in money.Two Chinese women, Lai Sau Wei
and Lau Tung, were admitted to the
Queen Mary Hospital, suffering
from acid burns on hands and legs,
received when they were working
at the Ling Nam Torch factory in
King's Road.

HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT DEFEATED: DR IMRE DY TENDERS RESIGNATION

BUDAPEST, TO-DAY.

THE HUNGARIAN PREMIER, DR. IMRE DY,
HAS RESIGNED.

The Hungarian Nazis are jubilant, and declare that yesterday's events which divided Parliament into two almost equal sections, have greatly weakened parliamentary government in Hungary.

The resignation followed the Government defeat by 115 votes to 94 when they faced the Chamber for the first time since formation of the Cabinet a week ago.

The motion on which they were defeated was one in favour of formal introduction of fifteen deputies of the returned regions, of Upper Hungary.

It was the first time in twenty years that the Hungarian Government had been defeated in public session.

The opposition was mostly of a personal nature against the Premier, Dr. von Imre dy, who during a stormy session, reiterated that Hungary did not contemplate direct action to secure Ruthenia.—Reuter.

ENTIRE CABINET RESIGNS

Budapest, To-day.

It was semi-officially announced here last evening that Bela von Imre dy, the Hungarian Premier, had handed in the resignation of his entire Cabinet when he called on Admiral von Horthy, the Regent, for the second time.

Admiral von Horthy has not yet stated whether he will accept this resignation.

To-day he will start consulting with leading politicians and will not announce his decision until these consultations have been concluded.

Following the defection of 67 Government supporters, including the former Cabinet members, Alexander Sztranyavszk, Geza Bornemisza and Eduard Mikecz, who charged the Premier with seeking by unconstitutional methods to set up a dictatorial regime in Hungary, the vote in the Hungarian Parliament on a matter of routine business resulted in the Government being defeated by twenty votes.

LANDED GENTRY

The Government organ "Esti Urtsag" attributes the split in the ranks of the party to hostility on the part of the landed gentry, capitalists and Jews to Dr. Imre dy's reform plans which include creation of peasant farms and stricter treatment of Jews.

Admiral von Horthy also received Count Bethlen, former Hungarian Premier, who is regarded as the representative of the big landowners.—Trans-Ocean.

NETHERLANDS AND BELGIUM JOIN HANDS

The Hague, To-day.

Complete understanding on a number of international problems affecting the Netherlands and Belgium is understood to have been revealed at yesterday's discussions in connection with King Leopold's visit.

Opportunity for the talks was afforded by a luncheon at the Royal Palace at Amsterdam, at which, besides Queen Wilhelmina and King Leopold, there were present the Dutch and Belgian Premiers and Foreign Ministers.

Discussion of problems connected with international organisation of trade and transport likewise showed a large measure of agreement.—Reuter.

WOMAN LEADER OF GUERILLAS KILLED

Peiping, To-day.

That guerilla war in North China will be terminated by the end of January is the prediction of Japanese military quarters following severe losses inflicted on the Chinese during the past days.

Through making use of tanks, heavy artillery and aeroplanes the Japanese have succeeded in destroying one Chinese base after another, and with occupation of Hsuehchien, headquarters of the irregular Chinese forces in the north, are said to have been taken.

The Chinese lost several hundred on Tuesday during fighting near Tungchang, in northwest Shantung Province, the dead including the famous woman leader, Fan Chichuan, who is said to have led a band of 20,000 Chinese fighters.

Reports from Shansi Province state that Chinese Communist troops are withdrawing across the Yellow River into Shansi Province pursued by Japanese fliers.

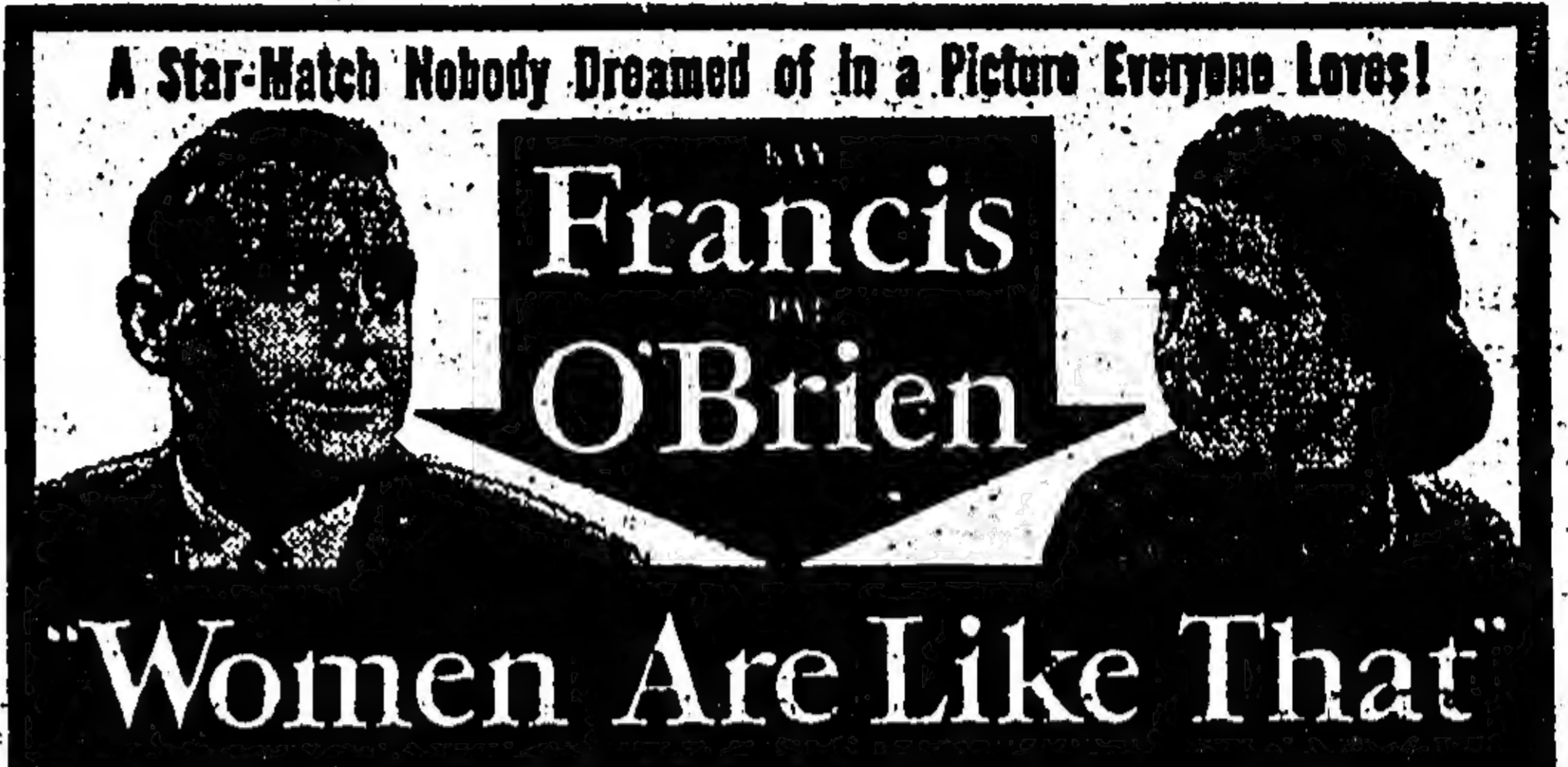
The Japanese are said to be following tactics of breaking up Chinese troop divisions in the mountainous district and then pursuing individual small groups without allowing them to reassemble in one body.—Trans-Ocean.

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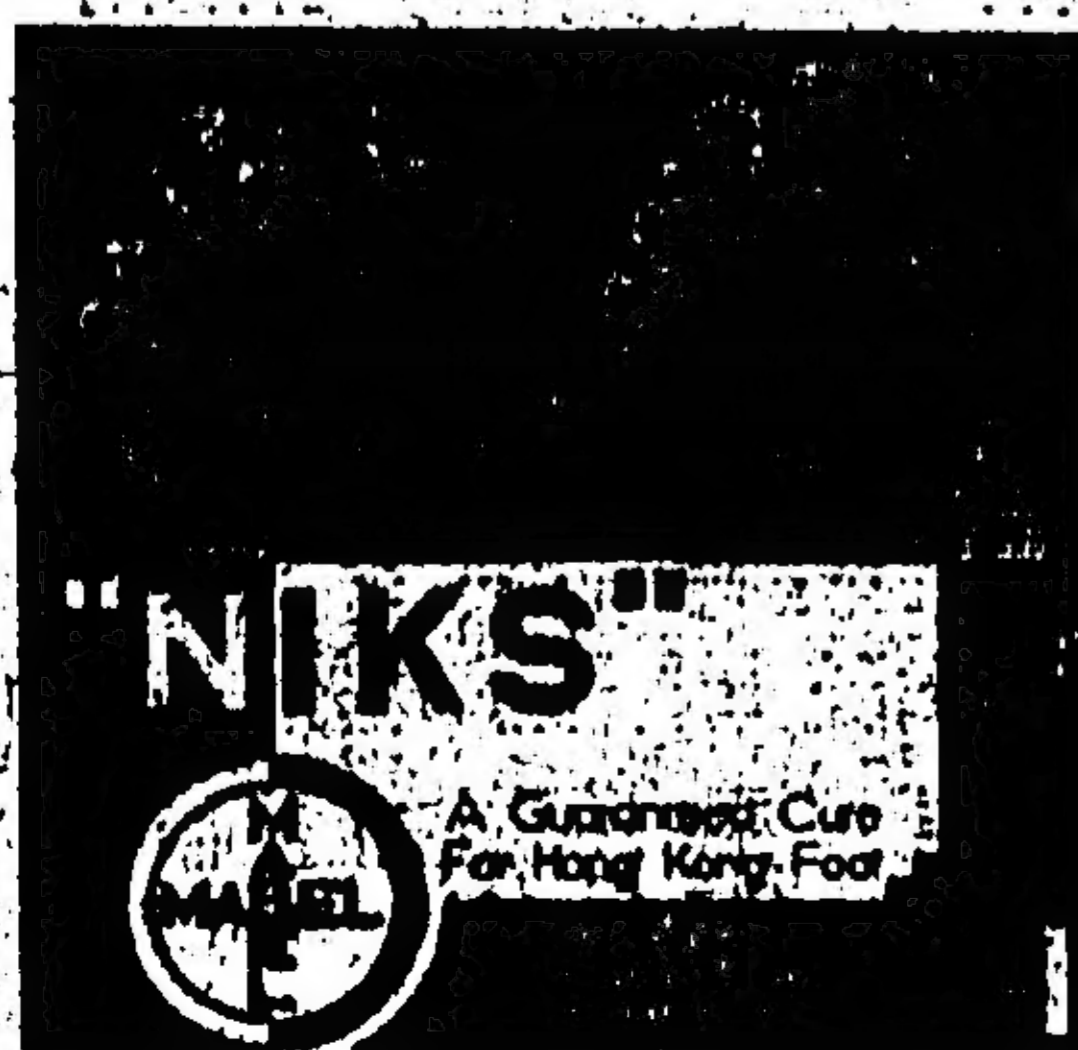
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NO FRICTION IN COLONIES

London, To-day. In another answer Mr. MacDonald mentioned that the European community in Tanganyika was estimated at the end of 1937 to be 2,107, including 200 Germans and Jews domiciled in any British colony.



REAL WORK BEGINS TO-DAY IN PARIS

General Survey Of Whole International Situation

RUSE FAILED

Although he slipped into a tea-shop and sat down as an ordinary customer, a snatch-thief, who robbed a Chinese woman of a pair of gold earrings in Canton Road yesterday, failed to escape detection.

The thief ran from Canton Road to Shanghai Street before entering the tea-shop, thinking he was safe. A Chinese detective, however, walked in and arrested him. The earrings were found on the seat. He was sentenced to three months' hard labour and six strokes by Mr. Himsforth this morning.

French No-War Declaration Meets Approval

Paris, To-day.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Lord Halifax, accompanied by their wives, attended a dinner given in their honour by the French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, at the Quai d'Orsay last night.

Real work will begin to-day with a general survey of the whole international situation, but in the later stages special attention will be given to individual aspects emerging from the general review.

While apparently the British Ministers have not come with a cut and dried programme, the French have drawn up an agenda, including, in order of importance, Spain, Franco-British co-operation generally, including in the economic field, and Jewish emigration from Germany.

Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax were informed of the contents of the Franco-German declaration, which is now complete and only awaits the German Foreign Minister's signature.

A spokesman of the Quai d'Orsay said that an official statement will be made to-day but the text will not be issued until it is signed.

NO TERRITORIAL CLAIMS

It is learned in British circles that the British Government would welcome successful conclusion of the Franco-German negotiations.

News about the declaration was well received in the lobbies of the Chamber of Deputies, except by the Communists and certain Socialists.

According to the newspapers the agreement states precisely that neither country has any territorial claims whatever on the other. This is interpreted to include colonies.

—Reuter.

FRANCE TAKES FIVE MAIN POINTS

Paris, To-day.

M. George Bonnet, the French Foreign Minister, told newspaper men at a press reception yesterday evening that the Anglo-French conversations on Thursday would deal with the following topics:

- (1) Spanish question,
- (2) Far Eastern conflict,
- (3) problem of trade between U. S. A. France, Britain,
- (4) question of Anglo-French cooperation including armament problems,
- (5) problem of Jewish emigration.

It is announced that Mr. Chamberlain and M. Daladier will issue statements to-day on the result of the conversations.—Trans-Ocean.

REPORT DENIED

Berlin, To-day.

Rumours that the Government of Dominica is willing to open negotiations on the possibility of allowing 100,000 Jewish emigrants in their territory, is officially denied by M. Destrade, Dominican Minister to Berlin.—Trans-Ocean.

INCREASE IN SERIOUS CRIME IN HONG KONG

A marked increase in serious crime in the Colony in 1937 as compared with 1936 is revealed in the Report of the Commissioner of Police laid in Legislative Council this afternoon.

The total number of cases (except summonses) dealt with by the Police during 1937, was 55,722 as against 46,587 in 1936, being an increase of 9,135 or 19%.

There were 12,434 serious crimes in 1937 as against 9,038 in 1936, an increase of 3,396 or 37%. There were increases in the following:—

Burglary	124
House-Breaking	86
Intimidation & Extortion ...	1
Kidnapping	3
Larceny	2,925
Larceny in Dwelling	174
Larceny on Ships & Wharves	62
Manslaughter	6
Murder Attempted	2
Obtaining by False Pretence	48
Receiving	108
Robbery	41
Other serious offences	27

There were 102 cases of robbery distributed as follows:—

Hong Kong Island	37
Kowloon	37
New Territories South	4
New Territories North	24

There were 43,288 minor cases in 1937 as against 37,549 in 1936, an increase of 5,739 or 15%.

The estimated value of property stolen during the year 1937 was \$531,190 as against \$303,497 in 1936, an increase of \$227,693 or 75%. The average for the last 5 years is \$507,763.

The value of property recovered during the year was \$115,829 or 21% of the property reported stolen as against \$69,789 or 23% of the property stolen in 1936.

During the year there were 100 cases in which convictions were obtained at the Criminal Sessions, as against 114 in 1936 and 100 in 1935.

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CHINESE COMMUNISTS PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE

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"Three Principles"

Chungking, To-day.

The Chinese Communist Party, following the plenary session of the Central Executive Committee, pledged its loyalty to General Chiang Kai-shek in fighting Japan and promised not to establish a secret organisation within the Kuomintang or the Chinese army.

The party adopted as its own resolution the report of Mao Tse-tung, generally known as the "Chinese Stalin."

The report states "China's internal condition, as well as the international situation, will not permit establishment of a socialist soviet state or a party dictatorship in China."

The possibility, however, is envisaged of establishment of a democratic republic with Sun Yat-sen's principles.

The party manifesto urges the Chinese people to defend the united front and to drive the Japanese from China. The committee expresses confidence in "ultimate Chinese victory."

JAPANESE HALTING

It declares that "with the Japanese halting their advance with the scenes of hostilities now further away from the sea coast and railway, highway and river communication lines, it is time for the Chinese to consolidate their positions in the south-west and the north-west provinces, awaiting a favourable opportunity for a large-scale counteroffensive aiming at complete extermination of the Japanese armed forces in China."

Publication of the Communist manifesto is attracting considerable attention here since it is generally thought that the Communist resolutions are likely to be submitted to the forthcoming Kuomintang Central Executive Committee, the plenary session of which is opening here on December 15 for consideration. — Reuter.

RESTRICTIONS ON MOVEMENTS OF FOREIGNERS

Chungking, To-day.

The movements of foreigners in Szechuen will be severely restricted if new regulations proposed by the provincial government are strictly enforced.

These give a list of towns, including a number of important provincial centres outside Chungking and Chengtu, which foreigners are not allowed to visit.

The usual interior travel passport visas will not be issued to foreigners for these places. — Reuter.

VATICAN'S DELEGATE TO BRITAIN

LONDON, TO-DAY.

IT WAS ANNOUNCED IN VATICAN CITY YESTERDAY THAT MONSIGNOR WILLIAM GODFREY, RECTOR OF THE ENGLISH COLLEGE IN ROME, HAS BEEN APPOINTED DELEGATE APOSTOLIC TO GREAT BRITAIN WITH RESIDENCE IN ENGLAND.

Monsignor Godfrey was a member of the Papal delegation at the Coronation last year.

Born in Liverpool in 1889 he became a priest in 1916 and is a member of the Supreme Council for Propagation of the Faith.

It is expected he will be nominated Titular Archbishop before coming to the United Kingdom in January.

It is explained in Vatican City that the position Monsignor Godfrey assumes is of ecclesiastical importance in representation of the Pope to British Catholics, but he will not have diplomatic status nor be entrusted with a diplomatic mission.

Nevertheless, although the appointment is purely clerical, Vatican circles, it is reported, are hopeful that it will contribute to maintenance of good relations with Great Britain. — British Wireless.

PRAGUE SEEKING THE PROMISED GUARANTEES

Prague, To-day.

Now that the new frontiers of the Czecho-Slovak state have been finally established, the Czecho-Slovak Government, according to reliable reports, has taken first steps towards gaining the international guarantee provided for in the Munich Agreement. — Trans-Ocean.

A small fire broke out at Pokfulam Road opposite Hong Kong University, when a tree trunk was set fire by some burning joss sticks. The fire was extinguished by the fire brigade and the Police.

QUESTION GIVEN AN ANSWER

London, To-day.

Asked in the House of Commons whether a settlement has been reached by the Italian and Ethiopian governments in accordance with international law, Mr. R. A. Butler (Under-Foreign Secretary) stated that according to information the Italian Government had now established control over Ethiopia with the exception of a particular area where it is known that resistance is still being offered. — Reuter.

BRITISH INVITATIONS TO PALESTINE CONFERENCE

London, To-day.

The Dominions and Colonial Secretary, Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, announced in the Commons that formal invitations to a Palestine conference in London had been sent to Egypt, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Trans-Jordan and the Jewish agency.

The Government desired the Arab delegation to be representative of all important groups and interests in Palestine.

Mr. Macdonald added that he was also in communication with the Yemen.

The Government's attitude regarding the Mufti of Jerusalem was well known, but if after consultation it was considered that any Arab deportees would be members of the delegation, the Government would provide facilities.

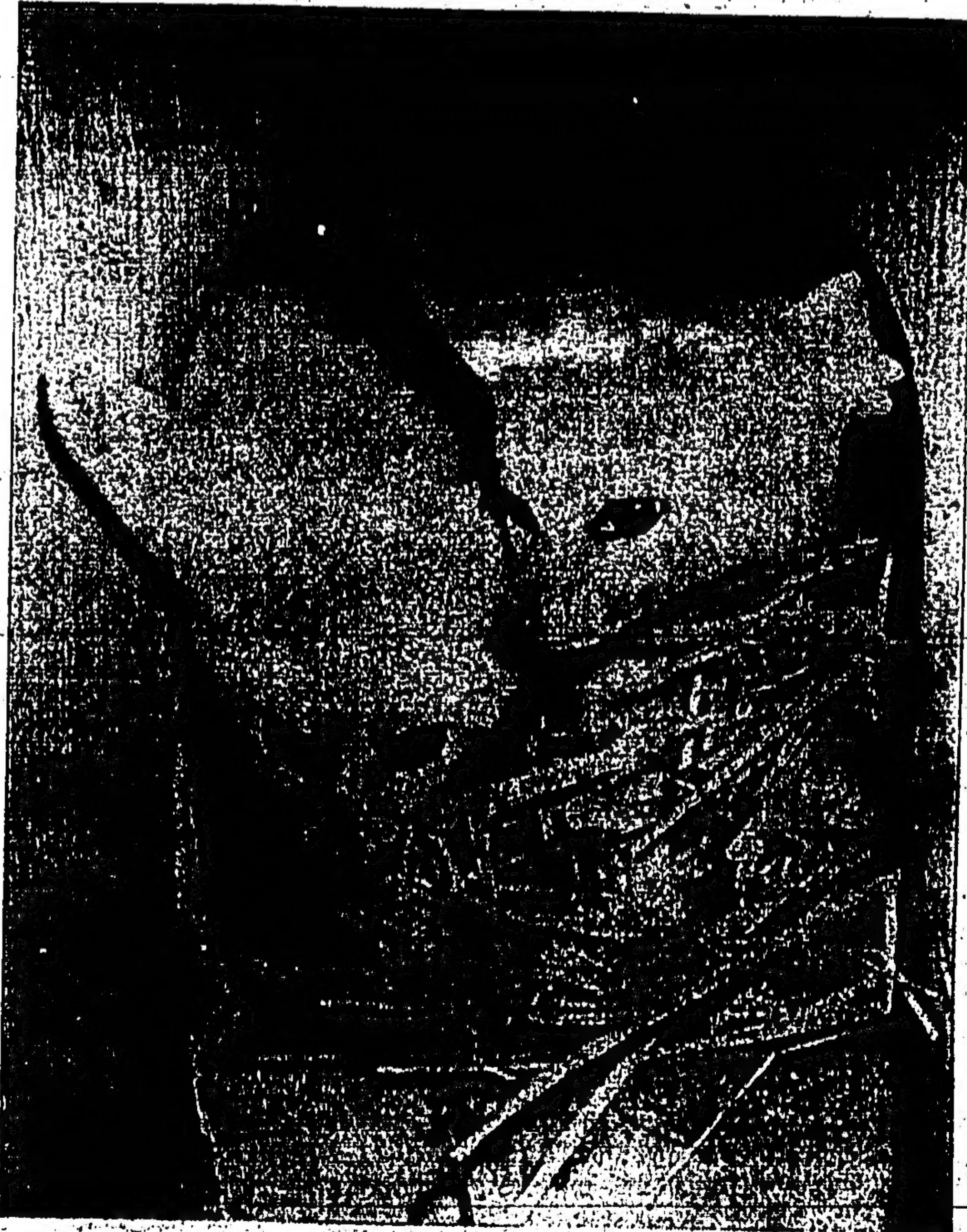
Mr. Macdonald hoped the discussions would start within the next few weeks. — Reuter.

GERMAN-CZECH COMMITTEE

Berlin, To-day.

A joint declaration by the German and Czecho-Slovak Government was published yesterday in which the appointment of a permanent German-Czecho-Slovak Committee is announced whose duty it will be to settle by negotiation all questions relating to the "ethnic character" of national groups in either country.

The committee will consist of four permanent members, namely one representative of the Home Office and of the Foreign Office respectively in Berlin and Prague. — Trans-Ocean.



WINTER QUARTERS FOR THE FENNEC FOXES. With the approach of the cold, damp weather, the North African Fennec Foxes at the London Zoo have taken to their winter quarters. From their warm new quarters, the Fennec Foxes take a look at the autumn world.

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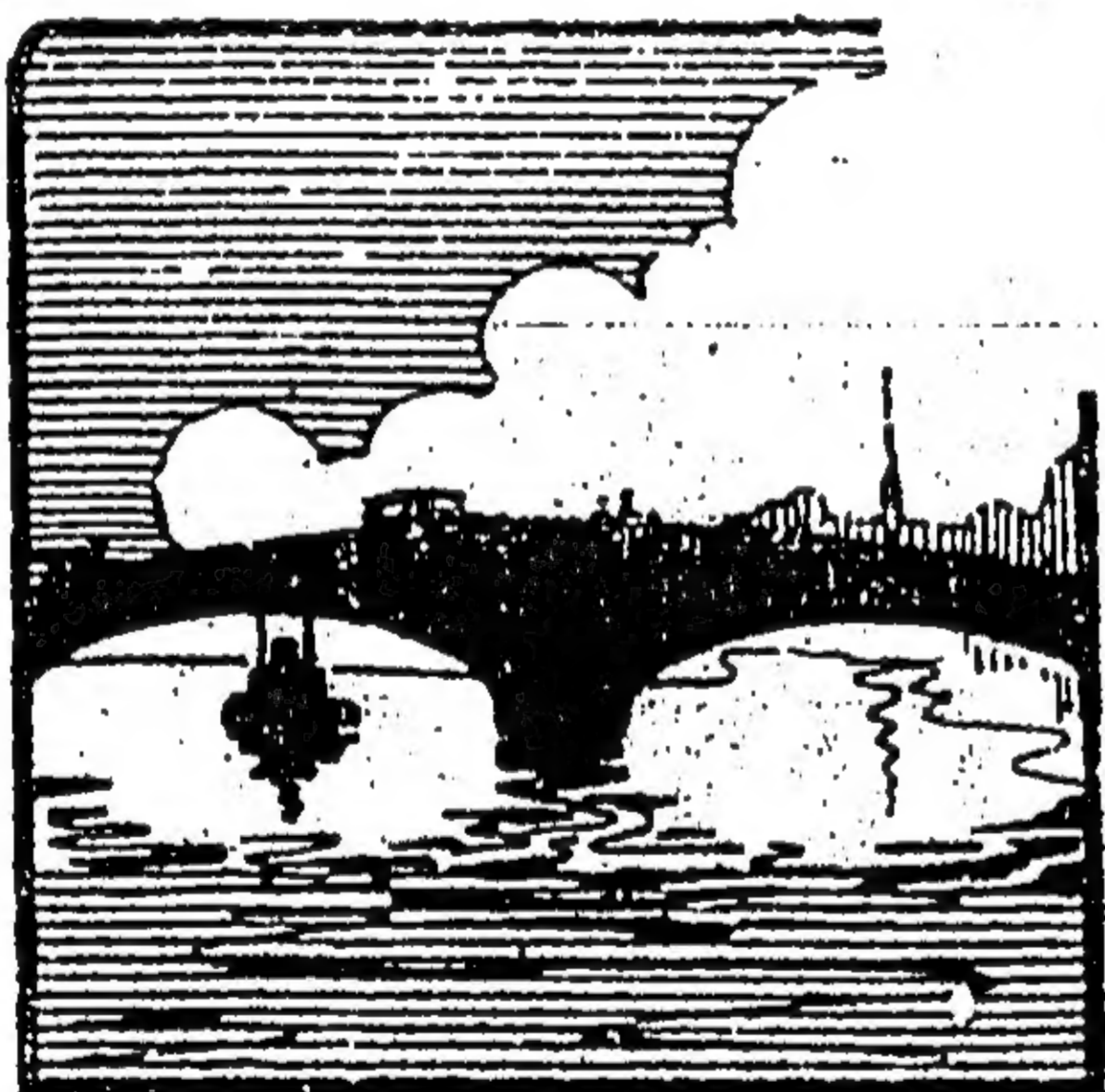
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Within The Law

"WHEN you're in the law-upholding game," Sheriff Fred Hodgson used to say, "you've got to figure in all the elements of human nature. You've got to figure, for example, that a criminal is just as vain as an honest man, and vice versa."

"Now, it isn't going to occur to a vain man that there's anything about his character that marks him as different from other folks. I mean, you take this jigger Boris Lord. It didn't once cross Boris' mind that I, had wondered at the fact that he was throwing in with Old Emery Isakson. Old Emery, you know, worked a silver mine up in Red Canyon, barely eking out a living. He always claimed that if he had the money and could buy equipment, there was a fortune to be taken out of that old mine. He claimed he had prospected for more than thirty years and he knew the signs."

"No one believed the old coot, and no one would lend him the money. Then this Boris Lord came along and chipped in a few thousand dollars. It made me wonder. Not that I knew Boris to have a criminal record. He'd always kept just within the law in his dealings. That's what I mean by vanity. He thought because he'd kept within the law everyone believed him to be an honest citizen."

"Three months passed; and then one day Boris came into my office looking troubled. He said that Old Emery had been acting queer lately, numbling to himself."

"So Sid Geary, my deputy, and I rode out to Old Emery's diggings and looked around. We searched for two days and didn't find hide nor hair of him. Then we came back to the diggings. We probably would have quit and returned to town, for there were important things to be done in the county, but I couldn't get it out of my mind that this Boris Lord had chipped in with Old Emery when usually he was fooling around with much slicker deals."

"So I told Sid to stay at the cabin and keep Boris busy talking while I took a look around. I went to where Boris and Old Emery had been digging with the machinery they'd bought with Boris' money. There was a lot of loose dirt piled up, and the loose dirt somehow looked queer. It looked like it had been placed there for a purpose and not just carelessly dumped."

"So I dug away, and pretty soon I came on some outcroppings of silver that set my eyes bulging. There was a fortune in what I saw. So I sat down and lighted a cigarette and began to think. And what I figured out was this: Boris had come along and seen those outcroppings of silver and realized what it meant. He began scheming how he could get that fortune for himself. He couldn't just kill Old Emery and take it. Taking it would require time. So he agreed to chip in some money in return for a partnership, which would give him clear title in case Old Emery should suddenly vanish."

"So after he'd worked with Emery long enough to allay any suspicions, he carefully covered the outcroppings with loose dirt. This would destroy any evidence of a possible motive. Then he bumped off Old Emery and three days later came to town with the story of the old boy suddenly vanishing and acting queer."

"Well, I thought, if that's the case, where's the body? So I got to thinking harder, and suddenly remembered that Emery had dug a well several years ago, but didn't strike water. So he covered up the hole he'd made with boards and piped water from the creek to his cabin instead. Now I thought, that abandoned well hole would be an excellent place to dispose of a body, especially if the killer were so vain he'd never expect me to be suspicious of him."

"I went back to the house where Fred and Boris were talking and said directly: 'Boris, I'm going to take a look down that old well Emery dug awhile ago. Do you mind?'

"Boris wasn't expecting that, and it caught him with his guard down. His mouth fell open and his face turned pale and he gurgled inarticulately."

"Sid, I says to my deputy, 'you get your gun out and walk behind Boris. We'll all go down to the well.'"

"So we did; and I could see at a glance that my hard thinking had been productive. There were signs that things around had been disturbed. Boris stood to one side looking curiously smug and confident while I re-

By Vic Yardman

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Lord Nuffield's Latest Benefaction

London, To-day.

Lord Nuffield, who in the last few years has become Britain's most generous benefactor, has now announced that he intends to provide every hospital and institution in the British Empire with an "iron lung."

Some of the larger hospitals may be provided with three or four.

It is expected that all the iron lungs required will be available by next March.

It is proposed to give up to five thousand iron lungs, which represent a total benefaction of half a million pounds sterling.

Lord Nuffield's announcement of this new act of generosity was made by him to the Press in his office at Cowley, Oxford.

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He said that the lungs would be manufactured at the Cowley Works of the Morris Motor Company. At present they cost £98 each. He was prepared to manufacture any number and after the demand was satisfied, stocks would be kept at Cowley in case of need.

Although the average time for a person to occupy an iron lung was from ten to fourteen days, nine months might be the period necessary for a patient's recovery.

He said: "It seems to me a dreadful state of affairs when children suffering from infantile paralysis might be saved and in

a large percentage of cases cured, whereas without this machine they must die."

AUSTRALIAN MACHINE

Lord Nuffield explained that as infantile paralysis was most prevalent in warm climates, it was intended to supply the big cities first and in the first three months of 1940, nearly a thousand lungs would be ready for distribution in preparation for the summer.

They had worked very closely with Mr. Young, the Australian inventor of the new machine, to improve it. Although the present model was very successful, its chief advantages were lightness, which aided transportation and it could be worked by hand if electrical power was not available.

Originally produced for cases of infantile paralysis, it could be used in other forms of lung failure and in cases of gas poisoning in war-time. — Reuter.

SUDETENLAND RIGHT TO OPT

BERLIN, TO-DAY.
AN AGREEMENT HAS BEEN SIGNED BETWEEN GERMANY AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA REGULATING QUESTIONS OF NATIONALITY AND THE OPTION OF CZECH INHABITANTS IN THE DISTRICT CEDED TO GERMANY.

The German Government shall be entitled before July next to request non-Germans in Sudetenland to leave the district within three months if they have settled in Sudetenland since January 1, 1910.

The same rights are reserved to the Czech Government as regards Germans in Czechoslovakia.

A joint committee had been established to supervise the agreement. — Reuter.

MANY CASUALTIES IN SIAN BOMBING

Sian, To-day.
More than 250 civilians were either killed or maimed yesterday when 20 Japanese bombers subjected Sian, provincial capital of Shensi, to its severest air raid since the start of hostilities.

Flying from Shansi, the raiders showered over 80 heavy bombs, in the residential districts. — Central News.

ANGLO-GERMAN CREDIT ACCORD SUPPLEMENTED

London, To-day.

A supplementary agreement was added to the Anglo-German Credit Agreement of 1938 during a meeting here yesterday after which the following official communique was issued last night:

"The advisory committees provided for in the German Credit Agreement of 1938 for the purpose of discussing matters of mutual interest arising from the agreement, met in London on November 15 and 23.

During these meetings an agreement pertaining to short term bank credits awarded by foreign banks to banks and commercial and industrial concerns of the former Austrian state was signed, this providing to those who wish it similar treatment as that accorded short term bank credits under the German Credit Agreement of 1938." It was further decided to extend this Agreement to May 31, 1939. — Trans-Ocean.

NO ANGLO-GERMAN MEETING YET CONTEMPLATED

London, To-day.

In answer to a question whether it was proposed to invite any German Ministers to come to London in return of the Prime Minister's visit to Germany the Chancellor of the Exchequer referred in the Commons to the answer by Mr. Chamberlain on Monday, when he gave a negative reply to an enquiry whether any meeting between members of the British and German governments to discuss appeasement, was contemplated in the near future. — British Wireless.



Much has been said recently about the shortage of nurses in England. It is a little known fact that many of the London Polytechnics provide preparatory courses for young girls prior to their becoming nurses. This picture was taken at Battersea Polytechnic, where girls are given a thorough training before entering the nursing profession. Photo shows girls at the Polytechnic learning anatomy with the aid of a model of a human body.

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FRANCE'S NEW POSITION

If France is not exactly "on the pot" by her loss of power and general influence in Europe, she is not far from it. Her dominant post-war dreams have evaporated and her prestige on the Continent has greatly receded. That as much as any other reason explains Mr. Chamberlain's self-invited trip to Paris at this particular juncture, for it is very essential that Britain and France should measure up their powers of organisation for the strains to come.

Spreading Pan-Germanism leaves the French still frankly apprehensive despite Munich and all talk about appeasement, while Italy remains a disturbing neighbour. Internally, France's financial and business conditions are dangerously damaged. M. Daladier showed his special concern over this in his Chamber speech justifying the Munich agreement. He secured his "full powers" virtually on this plea. French military expenses have been leaping and France must meet the big bill for recent mobilisation.

As a member of democracy's big three, French ability to breast the strains and trials resulting from a new position in Europe is watched not only by the other two members of the trio, the United States and Great Britain, but by the authoritarian regimes and the group of smaller powers.

The reshaping of France's entire foreign policy on the European continent will provide scope for a display of all the dexterous finesse and diplomatic logic that the Quai d'Orsay is famed for, in the months to come. Certainly the foundations for rebuilding French foreign policy are at

hand in the apparently continuing solidification of the Franco-British entente.

Although facing difficult readjustments, the democratic, or rather republican, structure of France seems to have come through all the post-war ordeals without loss of vigour. The third French Republic has now gone through nearly seventy years of European upheavals, including the World War.

The great point is not so much France's post-war mistakes, her surface errors, nor even her concept of running a democracy. What is important is that she shows irrevocable determination to carry on such democracy as she enjoys notwithstanding all currents to the contrary abroad in Europe to-day.

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Peace by Bargaining?

The road of general appeasement winds toward Spain. Gestures between London and Rome reflect the possibility of removing the Spanish monkey wrench.

From the nature of these gestures we may see that the Berchtesgaden-Godesberg-Munich shake-up loosened more than Czechoslovakia's hold on territory and western friends. It apparently has all but released the grasp of world public opinion on that active idealism which the peoples heretofore had insisted be respected by statesmen.

While there can be two points of view about the relative practical value of so-called "idealistic" and "realistic" methods in an opportunistic world, it is well to recognise that a clear choice has now been made between these methods. It is a choice between collective security and democratic procedures in international affairs which were the best hopes that came with Allied victory in 1918, and those methods of international bargaining which preceded the World War.

As the new method begins to deal with Spain its relation to League of Nations principles becomes mirage-thin. It may be argued that the Czechoslovakian settlement in removing errors of Versailles was not altogether at variance with the aims of collective security as described in Article XIX of the League covenant: to make territorial adjustments without war and to correct some of the hasty decisions of Versailles. That argument can be a long one on both sides. But the Ethiopians were not attacked in the name of minorities. The Spanish Government did not owe its existence to Versailles.

Yet what is the price of a Spanish settlement to be, and who is to make the initial payment? The price reportedly is to be recognition by France and Britain of Italy's Ethiopian conquest, and the closing of the French border to supplies for the Loyalist armies in Spain. When the French Ambassador to Rome begins talks on the latter question, France will have sanctioned a conquest which by pre-Munich law was illegal.

Thus as we move along the road to a possible general appeasement it is well to remember what the signposts said at the last fork. Europe's peace to-day is in the balance of bargaining.

CHINESE WOUNDED REACH H.K. BORDER

Japanese Capture Lungkong In Drive To Railway

JAPANESE PLANES OVER SHUMCHUN

The "China Mail" learns from a special correspondent in the New Territories that Japanese planes flew low over Shumchun at 8.45 a.m. to-day, dropping handbills.

They concentrated their attention on the area near the wireless station.

H.K. BORDER SAFETY ZONE NEGOTIATIONS

Negotiations to establish a Safety Zone near the border in Chinese territory in the area between Po On, Namtau and Shumchun, for refugees is proceeding between the Japanese authorities and the Hong Kong Government, the "China Mail" learns reliably this morning.

Rumour has it that the Japanese authorities have already agreed to the proposals, but Mr. Nakamura, the local Japanese Consul-General, told the "China Mail" this morning that as far as he knew, the proposals for a Safety Zone have not yet been accepted by the Japanese authorities.

JAPANESE LAND 60,000 FRESH TROOPS IN SOUTH

Shameen, To-day.

It is estimated that the Japanese forces in South China have been reinforced by nearly 60,000 men in the last fortnight.

Many have landed in Canton and proceeded north, others have passed up the West River and there has also been a substantial landing in Bias Bay.

It is presumed here that the Japanese intend to "clean up" in the areas now ostensibly under their control and then commence a drive up the Canton-Hankow Railway.—Our Own Correspondent.

UP TO POWERS TO KEEP OPEN CHINA'S DOOR

Chungking, To-day.

Commenting on the "Open Door" in China, the Foreign Office spokesman stated yesterday that the "Powers have lost 50 per cent. of their trade in Manchuria since the Japanese occu-

Leaflets Dropped By Plane Reach British Side

A pincer movement by the Japanese is now in the process of development with a view to "mopping up" of the Chinese troops between Sheklung and Shumchun, according to reliable messages received from Canton by the "China Mail" this morning.

It is stated that the Japanese occupied Taipungshing, a small port on the south-west shore of Bias Bay and are at present driving westwards to Shumchun.

Tamshui, it is confirmed, has been retaken by the Japanese who are pressing westwards via Lungkong to the Canton-Kowloon Line.

The whole area between Tamshui, Taipungshing and Lungkong is said to be a hive of Japanese military activity.

Throughout last night, Japanese sappers and engineers worked feverishly, to repair the Sheklung Bridge, which was destroyed by the Chinese.

MOVING DOWN LINE

Troops are said to be already on the move down the Line proceeding in the direction of Kowloon.

Skirmishes between the Japanese and the Chinese are still occurring outside Tungkuhsien, south west of Sheklung.

It is also reported that an attempt to land troops made by the Japanese along the Po On coast yesterday morning, and repulsed.

The troops proceeding from Sheklung and those advancing from Taipungshing, expect to make contact in a day or two.

WOUNDED ARRIVING

Chinese wounded soldiers and refugees are arriving at the H.K. border. They state that fighting is proceeding round Lungkong, which has fallen into Japanese hands.

The Japanese forces are likely to reach Pingwu by this evening.

It is also reported that some of the leaflets dropped by Japanese planes along the border landed on the British side of the frontier.

They bore a large picture of the Rising Sun and counselled the population not to be frightened, saying that the Japanese had no intention of harming peaceful civilians.

pation, while Japanese exports into Manchuria had increased."

Expressing the opinion that the situation in Manchuria would be repeated in China Proper, the spokesman declared: "The only means by which the Powers will be able to keep the Open Door in China is to restore the house to its own master." — Reuter.

NEW DIRECT TAXATION FOR CHINA

Chungking, To-day.

The Chinese Government is shortly collecting two new direct taxes, a war profit income tax and an inheritance tax, but the exact date of collection of the new taxes has not yet been fixed, the Finance Ministry spokesman announced yesterday.

Questioned on the progress of Mr. K. P. Chen's financial negotiations in the United States the spokesman replied: "Mr. Chen is still continuing the conversations in New York and Washington, but the time is not yet ripe for any official statement."

The spokesman expressed the Chinese Government's appreciation of the United States Government's assistance in connection with the Silver Agreement, which he said was valuable to China in her monetary reforms. — Reuter.

JAPANESE PLAN FRUSTRATED

Chungking, To-day.

The Japanese plans for occupation of the entire line of the Canton-Hankow Railway and also for control of the Siang River after occupation of Siangyang, have been frustrated by the Chinese counter-offensive, declared the Chinese military spokesman at last evening's press conference.

There are indications, the spokesman added, that the Japanese are attempting to cut Sino-Soviet communications by invading the north-west, but "the Chinese have already massed strong forces there and are guarding the Yellow River." — Reuter.

MR. R.A. BUTLER AGAIN NOT IN A POSITION

London, To-day.

Asked in the Commons whether the Government had yet received a satisfactory reply from the Japanese Government in connection with assaults on British subjects in Shanghai, Mr. R. A. Butler replied that the Ambassador in Tokyo was continuing to press for satisfaction in all outstanding cases of importance.

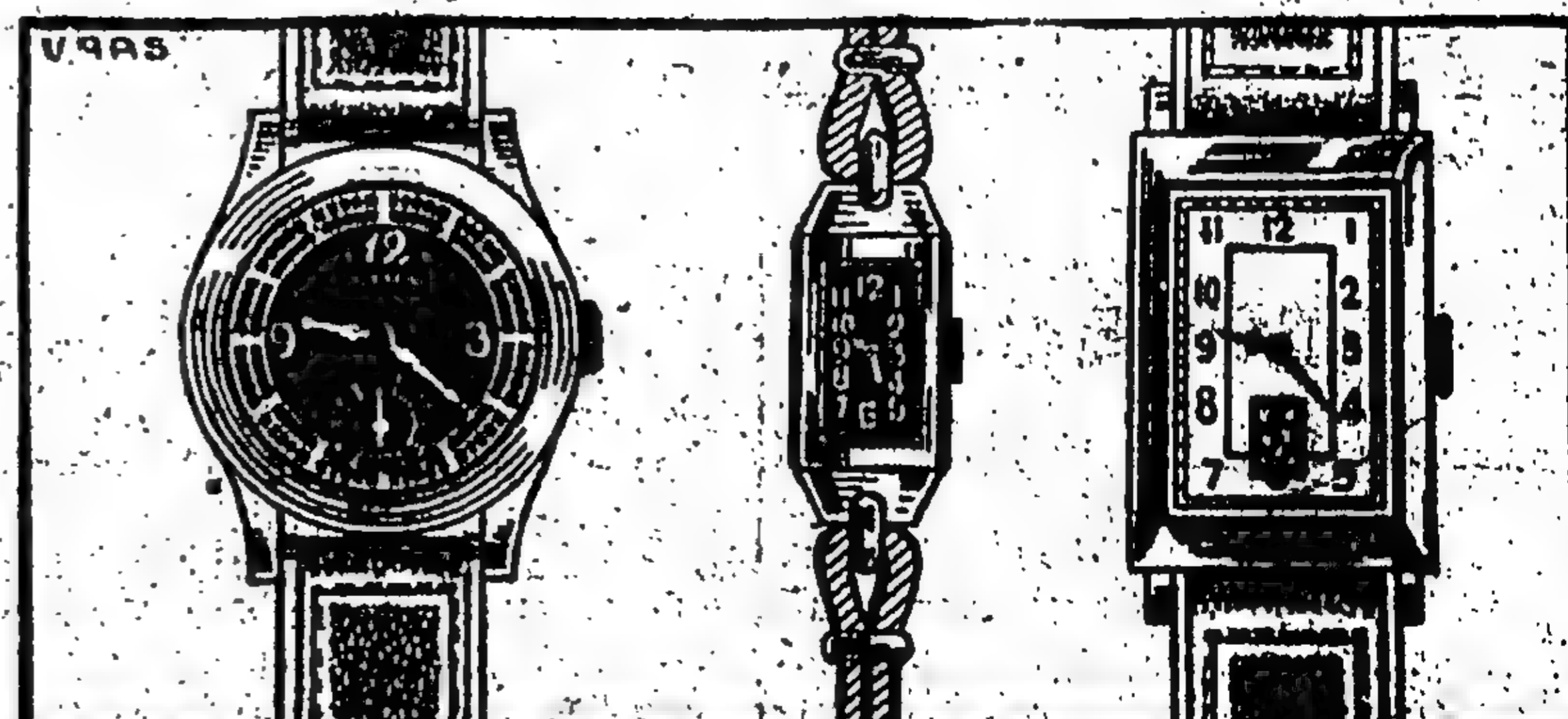
The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs added that there had been an improvement in relations between the British and Japanese authorities at Shanghai.

Asked whether the Government considered the Japanese reply to the British note concerning interference with British shipping in the Yangtse as satisfactory, Mr. Butler said the matter was under consideration by Lord Halifax.

Mr. Butler was not in a position to make a statement.

Answering Sir J. S. Wardlaw-Milne (Conservative, Kidderminster) respecting restrictions on British trade in North China, Mr. Butler said the British Government was aware of the difficulties confronting British interests there.

They had taken and would continue to take such action as was appropriate to protect those interests. — Reuter.



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ELABORATE SCHEME OF A.R.P. EXERCISES

Decontamination Squads In Action During Blackout Wardens To Be Given First Test Of Duties

Elaborate arrangements have been made for the next few days when a comprehensive series of tests will be carried out by A.R.P. authorities in various points on the Island and Mainland. During the blackout, two decontamination squads are to be exercised and air-raid wardens will patrol the districts which have been selected.

RIBBENTROP'S JOURNEY TO PARIS

Berlin, To-day. An official communique on the impending Franco-German pronouncement on the journey of Joachim von Ribbentrop, German Foreign Minister, to Paris, will be forthcoming in the next few hours according to well-informed circles here.

Up to the moment no mention at all is made in the German press of this entire complex of questions.

Paris reports, however, have caused no surprise in political circles here. It was known that Premier Daladier when in Munich had suggested a Franco-German agreement of this kind to Field-Marshal Goering, and that prior to his transfer to Rome, M. Francois Poncet had met with considerable success in paving the way for this agreement. — Trans-Ocean.

COURT SEQUEL TO ACCIDENT

Following an accident in Prince Edward Road yesterday, a private car driver, Leung Kam-cheung, 30, was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning before Mr. E. Himsworth with driving without due care and caution and was fined \$50.

A collision occurred between his car and a bicycle in Prince Edward Road whilst he was driving towards Kowloon City.

The cyclist was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital but his condition is not serious.

NO MUZZLES

Summoned before Mr. E. Himsworth this morning at the Kowloon Magistracy, Mr. A. M. Holland, of 6, Minden Avenue, was fined \$15 for allowing his dog to wander without a muzzle or on a lead and without a licence.

Pleading guilty by letter to allowing her dog to wander in Austin Road without a muzzle or lead, Mrs. Walker, of No. 113, Austin Road, was fined \$10.

A rocket will be fired to simulate the falling of a gas bomb. Air-raid wardens will proceed to the spot and will test for gas. If gas is traced it will be their duty to proceed to the nearest telephone and order out the decontamination squads.

The squads will arrive by car and will be met by other air-raid wardens who will direct them to the scene of contamination. The squad will then unload and by means of a chemical detector will ascertain the area contaminated.

ROPED OFF AREAS

This area will then be roped off to exclude the public and prevent from approaching up-wind.

In a further exercise, the Fire Brigade, rigged up in protective clothing, will attend two fires, one on the Island and one on the Mainland.

They will couple up hoses but umpires who will be present, from time to time will inform them that the water supply has failed. It will then be up to the firemen's initiative as to what methods they adopt to deal with the fires.

PORTABLE SIRENS

The exercise on the date which is being kept strictly secret, a system of portable sirens will be used, in addition to those at Gloucester Building and Mount Gough.

Six portable sirens will go off in cars manned by the police. They will operate in various parts of the Island. Cars mounted with sirens will move at a speed of 10 miles per hour, converging on a point in the central district.

By this method it is hoped to determine the most suitable positions for the permanent sirens which are expected to arrive here early in the new year.

Some 300,000 Chinese pamphlets have been distributed in which the population have been told what is expected of them.

PURPOSES OF EXERCISES

The exercises are to be carried out for the following reasons:—

(1) An endeavour to see if the Colony can be seen from the air and if there are any outstanding landmarks that would give the Colony away.

Reports will be received and the question of camouflage of the points shown up will be considered.

(2) The problem of whether traffic will be permitted to run without giving the Colony away. This is the reason for the two phases of the exercises.

(3) To determine the speed with which essential services can move under these conditions so that depots for decontamination squads can be spaced so as to be able to reach the scenes of bombings with the least possible delay.

BRITISH MINISTERS IN PARIS

Paris, To-day.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Lord Halifax arrived in Paris at 5.50 yesterday afternoon.

Shouts of "Vive Chamberlain" were raised as the Prime Minister passed through the streets with the French Premier, M. Edouard Daladier, in one car followed by Lord Halifax and the French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, in another.

Large crowds lined both sides of the station and down the Rue Lafayette.

Mr. Chamberlain looked very cheerful as he drove from the station. — Reuter.

KING CAROL TO SEE HITLER

Berchtesgaden, To-day.

King Carol of Rumania will be received by the Fuehrer this afternoon or to-morrow morning at the Berghof on the Obersalzberg.

Political circles suggest that following his visits to London and Paris, King Carol is desirous of giving an assurance of Rumania's neutrality.

Mr. Oswald Pirow, the South

POLISH FEELER OVER DANZIG

Danzig, To-day.

Polish reports which are regarded as an attempt to sound out opinion suggest that Danzig will become independent of Geneva upon the resignation of the present League of Nations' Commissioner, and that its legal status will be determined by agreement between the German and the Polish Governments.

The semi-official Nazi organ in Danzig states these reports lack confirmation, and adds:

"It is nevertheless interesting to note that Poland is apparently not desirous of adhering to the old standpoint that a revision of the Danzig question is for Poland impossible."

Polish public opinion is apparently being prepared for alteration of the political and economic status of Danzig, which can only be welcomed from the Danzig standpoint.

"For the rest, it is obvious that pursuant to the alignment of Danzig with the Reich, which has already occurred, fundamental revision of Danzig's status will have to come up for discussion sooner or later." — Trans-Ocean.

African Defence Minister, will be received by the Fuehrer at eleven o'clock this morning. — Trans-Ocean.

WOMAN IN WRONG TRAIN HOLDS UP PREMIER

Paris, To-day.

The British Prime Minister, Mr. Chamberlain, the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, Mrs. Chamberlain and Lady Halifax, with several accompanying members of the Foreign Office, arrived yesterday evening at seven o'clock having come direct from Calais by the Golden Arrow Express.

The train arrived late at the Gare du Nord as a lady passenger had pulled the emergency cord and caused a sudden halt. The train officials explained that she had entered the wrong train and wished to alight.

A company of the Garde Mobile stood at attention on the station platform as the distinguished guests left the train and in addition, the Premier, M. Daladier, the Foreign Minister, M. Bonnet, the British Ambassador to France, Sir Eric Phipps, a representative of the President, and several other prominent French and English personages were present to welcome them.

The streets leading from the station to the British Embassy near the Place de la Concorde, which include the Rue Lafayette and the Place de l'Opera, were lined with a huge crowd waiting for the passage of the official cars, a lane being formed by members of the

Garde Mobile standing at intervals of between 5 and 10 metres.

The station itself was set off by searchlights and decorated with French and English flags.

As the company drove through the streets the crowd broke into loud cheering, cries of "long live Chamberlain," "long live Daladier," and "long live peace," being heard.

The ovation reminded one of the welcome accorded to M. Daladier when he returned from Munich. The English visitors will remain at the British Embassy until they depart for the Quai d'Orsay where M. Daladier is giving a banquet in their honour. — Trans-Ocean.

News Snack Bar

PAWNING THEIR DAUGHTERS

Don't let your daughters be a liability. Raise money on them. Give them as security for that loan you need. You must keep it strictly under the hat, of course, for it's nominally illegal. But it's done, and in British territory.

That's the way native cocoa growers and traders raise capital in our Gold Coast and Nigeria Colonies.

That came out in a report published by a West African Government Commission.



One of the oldest locomotives in the world capable of hauling a train, the 100 years old "Lion" engine has just paid a visit to the Crewe works of the L.M.S. Railway for a thorough overhaul in order that it may take part in the London and Birmingham Railway Centenary celebrations at Euston. Photo shows the ancient locomotive being prepared at Crewe alongside a modern streamlined express.

Here are their own words:—

"A native who has already pledged his property and has no other security to offer, may obtain a loan by entrusting a young daughter or a niece to the lender to act as his servant until the debt has been paid.

"Although this method of financing is illegal, one farmer volunteered to us the information that he could always hand over four or five of his nieces when he needed capital.

"If a girl reaches marriageable age while in the lender's keeping and becomes his wife, or if he gives her in marriage to a relative, the loan is thereby extinguished."

We seem to have heard the same thing in Hong Kong called the Mui Tsai system.

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CANADIANS' "MOTHER"

Spinster "mother" of the Canadian Light Infantry during the war, Miss Jenny Macgregor Morris arrived home after a three-month visit to Canada as guest of the soldiers she mothered between 1914-18. She was known as the London mother of these troops and they showed their appreciation of her kindness and hospitality by paying for her to visit Canada.

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TEDDY BEARS FOR HANDBAGS

Little Koalas (tree "teddy-bears" of Australia) have inspired fashion's latest handbag whim. Handbags are said to be made of the real skins of the animals. Another handbag can be bought in the shape of a tiny kangaroo.

Koalas are strictly protected all over Australia. Killing of them brings heavy punishment.

ASHES IN THE MOUTH

Marshal Petain: The fruits of the victory of the Great War have vanished. France has drifted into an era of great peril. The only answer is national discipline.

BABY BORN IN NO-MAN'S-LAND

A baby was born in No-Man's Land, a strip of territory roughly a mile and a half wide between the temporary German and Czechoslovak frontiers, near Hryschka. The mother was one of a group of eighty-three Jewish refugees.

TALK HITS TRADE

Sir M. A. Young, Governor of Tanganyika, speaking at Dar-es-Salaam ascribed the country's Budget deficit of £150,000 to serious disquiet about the future of the mandate. This anxiety affected trade and commerce. There had also been a heavy drop in commodity prices.

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OLDEST FARMER (100)

England's oldest farmer, Oliver Chaulker, of Keinton-Mandeville, near Yeovil, Somerset, who celebrated his 100th birthday a fortnight ago, has decided to retire. All his farm stock is to be sold.

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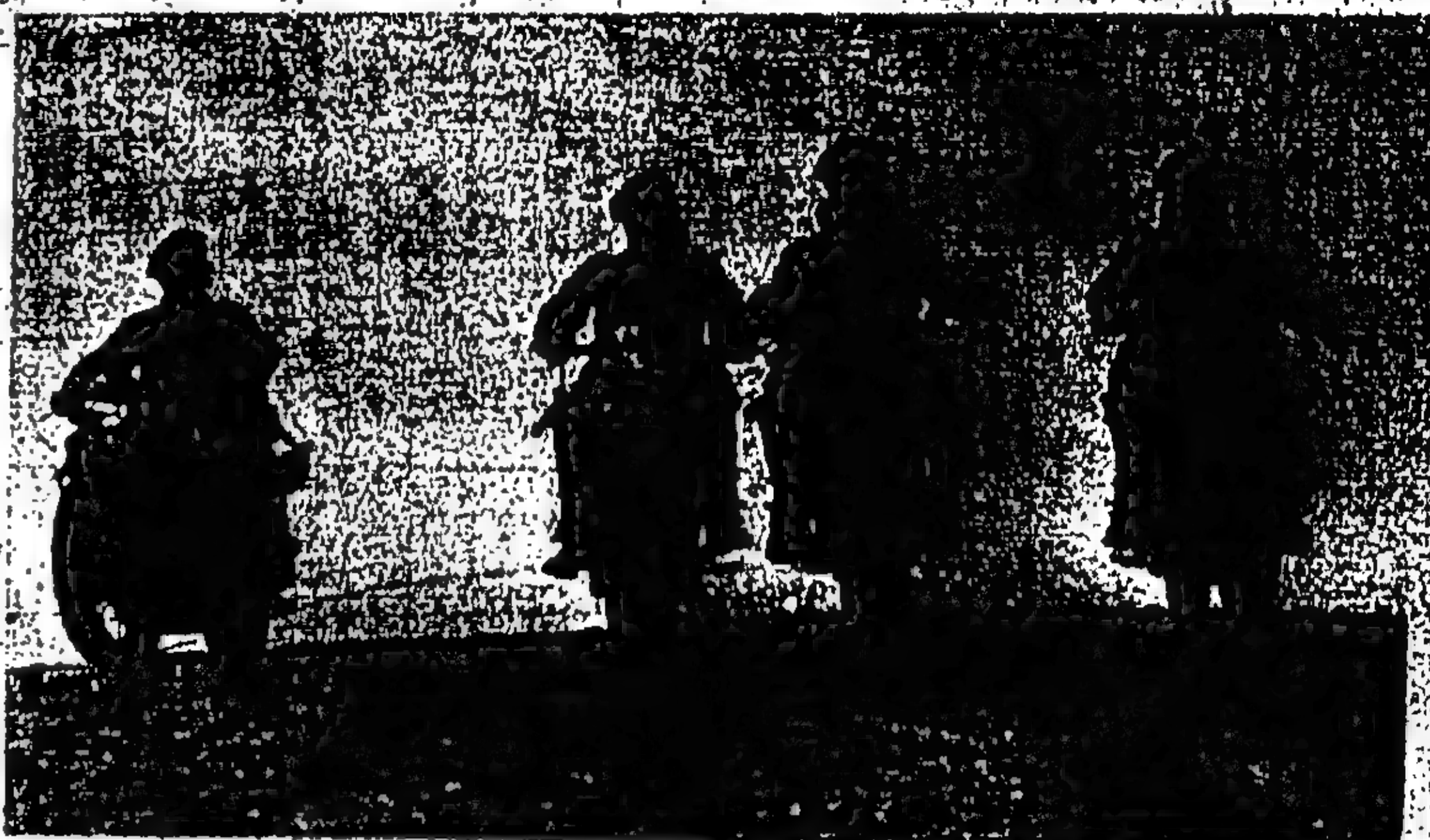
THE SAME AGAIN

No municipal elections for Burton-on-Trent (Staffs) again this year. Nominations closed and all the eight retiring councillors, who offered themselves for re-election were return unopposed. The Mayor, Alderman J. W. Clark, was one of them. Burton has had no municipal election for years.

Husbands who forget to bring home that wedding anniversary bouquet had better take lessons from the Rev. T. N. Smith, of Leytonstone (Essex).

It's fifty-nine years since he was a dashing bridegroom. But he's never forgotten once to say it with flowers.

He's a double reason for remembering the anniversary—because it's also Mrs. Smith's birthday. When Mr. Smith brought her a bouquet she was eighty.



Motor cycle trials as part of the Army training for mechanised units are being undertaken by Aldershot Command. Part of the trial will be ridden in gas masks and hill climbs and "rough riding" will be featured. Photo shows the team of the 4th Batt. Royal Tank Corps wearing gas masks during practice at Farnborough.

'AINT NO FLIES FOR ANT-IES BORSTAL 'LABOUR CAMP'

Mrs. Grey Wornum, whose husband has charge of decorating the Queen Elizabeth, now sitting out, spent four days vainly trying to catch a fly in the sister-liner Queen Mary. She landed at Plymouth from the ship with a colony of twenty-four ants.

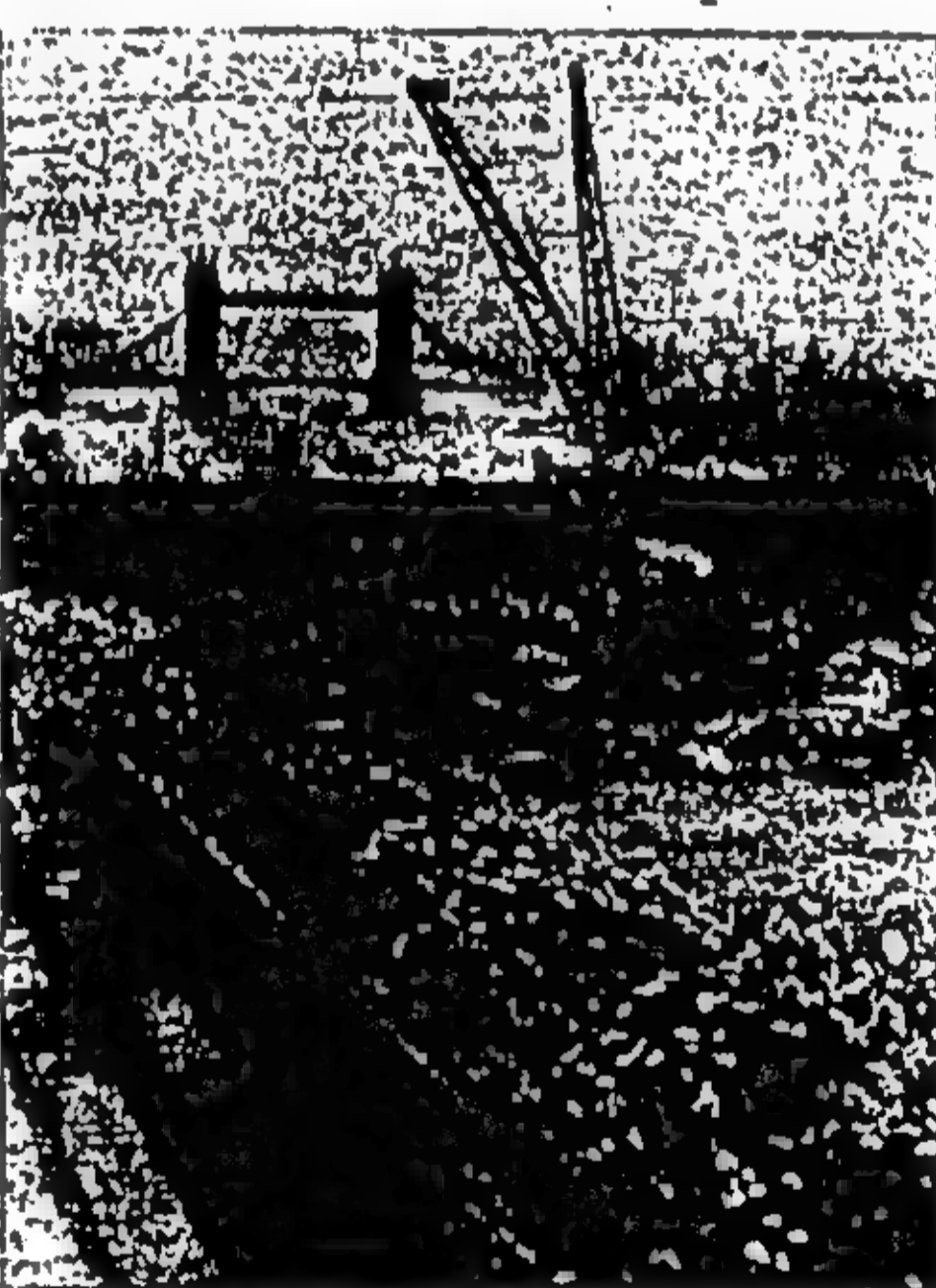
"They are supposed to have a live fly once a week," she said, "but although I went as far as spreading marmalade as a trap, no flies were procurable aboard."

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GIVEN £235,000,000 LOANS

More than £235,000,000 has been lent by the Halifax Building Society since 1953 to help people to acquire their own homes. So said Mr. David W. Smith, general manager of the society, at the opening of new office premises at Southend-on-Sea.

That's one way Britons have managed to get a stake in their own country . . . And there are lots more building societies.



One of the finest roof gardens in London is that on the top of Adelaide House at London Bridge. Complete with rock garden and putting green it affords a magnificent view of the Metropolis.

PRESENTED FROM COURT

From London's Highgate Police Court.

Motorist: When anything goes wrong with my car I always look underneath. I am not tall enough to look over the top.

Elderly labourer, summoned for bad language: I had to swear. It is the only language my wife understands.

Said a police-constable, giving evidence: I told the defendant he would be reported, and he said, "How much will the fine be?" Magistrate: Ten shillings.

FARM PLAN OPPOSED

Opposition to the establishment of "labour camps" for Borstal boys from Portland Institution was expressed recently.

It came from Mr. F. C. James, farm workers' representative, at a meeting of Dorset Agricultural Committee.

"It is not right," he declared, "to bring boys out of Borstal to work when there are so many unemployed about. If we are not careful, legislation will be passed to allow workers on the land and elsewhere to be replaced by men from his Majesty's prisons."

But in spite of Mr. James's protest, the Committee approved the establishment of a camp on the River Frome.

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IT WAS FALSE ALARM

A fire engine, answering a call in London mounted the pavement at the junction of Union-street and Great Guildford Street, Borough, S.E.—and this is what happened: A stone pillar was smashed and a big hole was knocked in a high wall. All the firemen were cut and bruised and needed first aid. A crane had to be used to tow the damaged engine away, while another fire engine went to answer the call. And it was a false alarm!

OUSTING JAPANESE SEAWEED

Japanese seaweed, used in the manufacture of iodine in Britain, may be displaced by seaweed from Kintyre, in Argyllshire. Try-out consignments of Kintyre seaweed have been ordered by a London clinic. Experiments are also being made in a factory at Kintyre.

GIRL BIDS TO SAVE DOYLE

An effort to save Jack Doyle from expulsion from the United States was made by Eleanor Troy, show-girl who recently slapped Doyle in a New York night club. There is a provision in the U.S. immigration laws which permits an American woman to file guardianship papers to get an alien husband admitted to the country!



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When Sir John Ellerman, £37,000,000 shipping magnate, died five years ago, death duties left his son with the family fortune reduced to £18,000,000. After five years, the new Sir John Ellerman, now twenty-eight, is estimated to be worth more than his father ever was.

The accounts of Ellerman Lines, Ltd., have been published. The company control 104 ships trading to every country in the world.

Their profit last year was £1,177,906. That is 61 per cent. more than in 1936; and the 1936 profit was 23 per cent. more than in 1935.

So, for the first time since his father died, Sir John has decided to pay himself a dividend on the Deferred Ordinary capital, a modest ten per cent. The rest of the profits go back into the business.

£100 BECOMES £127

This will help to explain how Sir John has regained the millions that went to the State:—

One hundred pounds in a business earning 5 per cent. becomes more than 127 if you leave the profits alone for five years. A million pounds, similarly invested becomes approximately £1,276,000.

But the earnings on much of Sir John's capital in the past year have been equal to 50 per cent.

His companies have an investment income of £4,000,000 and floating assets of £5,545,910.

A shipping expert said to me recently. "There is always money to be made in shipping somewhere."

"If one of his companies loses a bit another makes it up."

Sir John—a modest young man, devoted to his blackhaired young wife Esther—was in a position to leave his millions alone.

BREWERY SHARES

His father's brewery shares, which stood at £180 per £100 in 1933, are now worth about £290 per £100.

His London General Investment Trust shares, worth at death duty time £210 each, have rocketed £60 or £70 each.

Of Sir John's yearly income of probably £1,000,000 half is paid out in income tax and surtax. Of the remaining half-million Sir John spends personally, perhaps, £5,000 a year. The rest goes back in to the business to multiply again.

At the Ellerman offices in Moor-gate E., C., I was informed: "Sir John never comes here."

Controller of Sir John's fortune is Lieut.-Colonel Sir William Cox, erect, Somerset-born nephew-by-marriage to the first Sir John. It is he who directs the millions invested in real estate, ships, newspapers, breweries.

Sir John recently gave up living in a six-roomed villa, and bought a house in Kensington Palace-gardens—Millionaires' Row.

Nazis Active In S.W. Africa

Under Germany By
Christmas

THE STATE OF NERVOUS-
NESS PREVAILING IN SOUTH-
WEST AFRICA WAS STRESS-
ED BY MR. L. TALJAARD, A
MEMBER OF THE SOUTH-
WEST AFRICAN PARLIA-
MENT, WHEN HE ARRIVED
AT CAPETOWN.

Mr. Taljaard is one of the leaders of the agitation against the return of South-West Africa to Germany. He said that much underground work had been done by Nazis.

"It is significant," he said, "that when the European crisis was at its height all Nazi flags and emblems in Windhoek disappeared, but appeared in greater numbers than ever after the Munich agreement."

"Now it is openly said that South-West Africa will be under Nazi rule by Christmas. The non-Nazi Germans are already trimming their sails to meet the new situation they expect and even fear."

"About 60 per cent. of the population favour the present constitution. The remaining 40 per cent. include many who, before the Munich agreement, were opposed to the colony returning to Germany."

"NO GIVING AWAY"

Dr. D. G. Conradie, Administrator of South-West Africa, has sent a message to the Herero tribe warning them not to be influenced by "nonsensical" statements circulated by "Truppenspieler" — people playing at soldiers.

The message was delivered at the annual Herero gathering at Oka-handja, the grave of the well-known Herero chief of that name.

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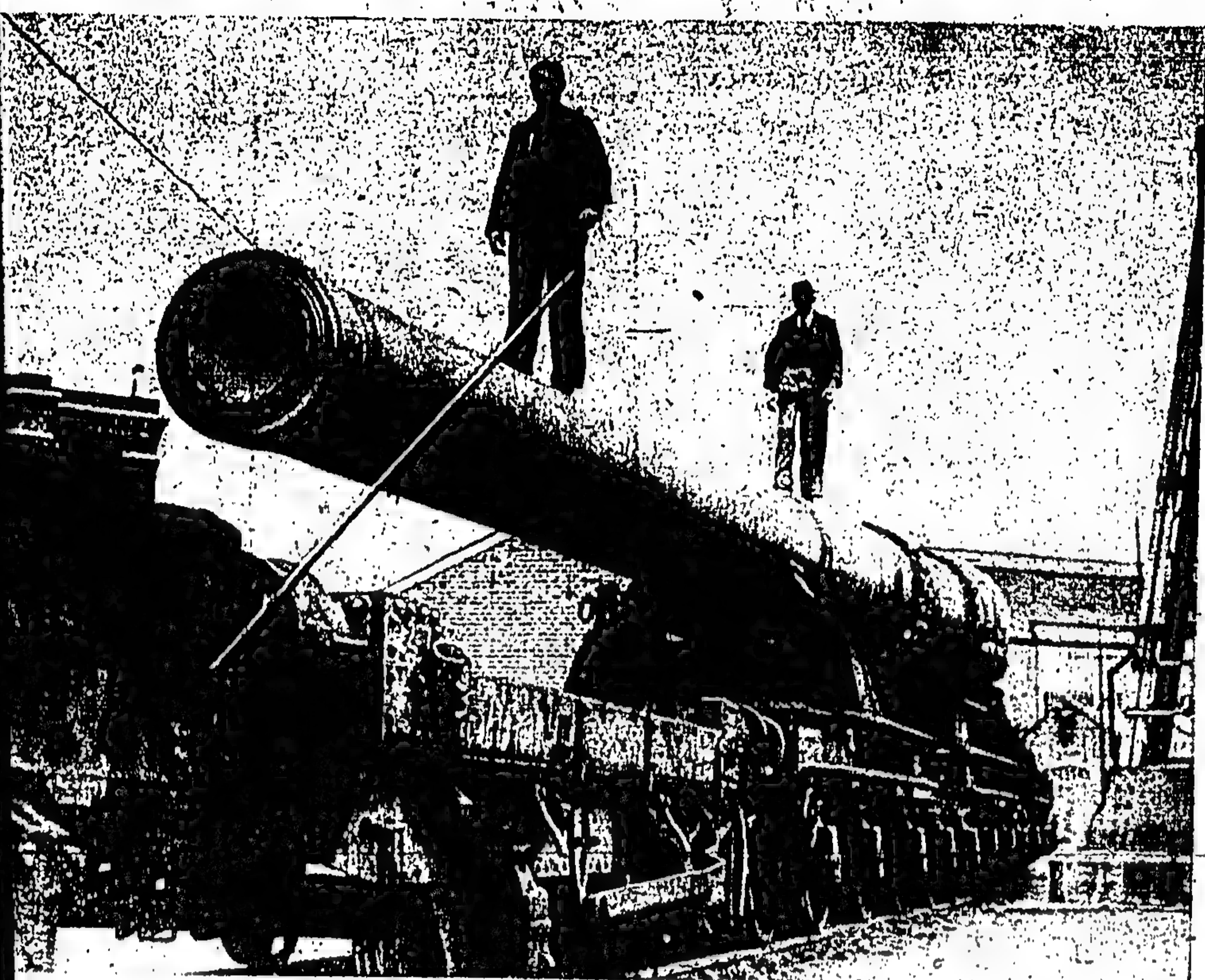
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DOUBLES FORTUNE



Remarkable picture taken at one of the great Government arsenals shows how Britain is pre-
pare herself by making guns, shells and every other form of munitions. Work is proceed-
ing apace. This picture was taken under the auspices of the War Office and passed by that de-
partment for publication. Photo shows a large naval gun ready for despatch to the dockyard. (Copyright).

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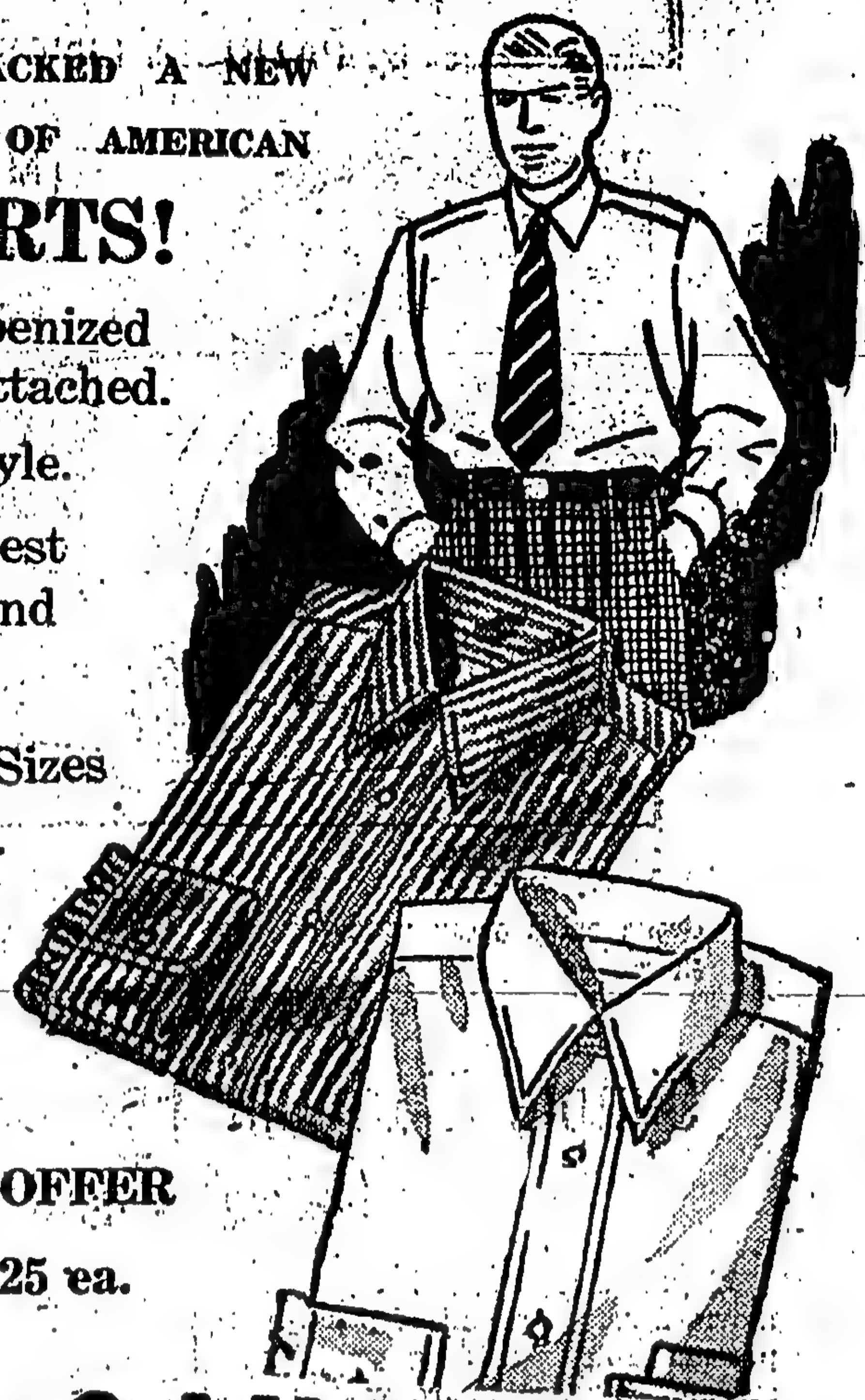
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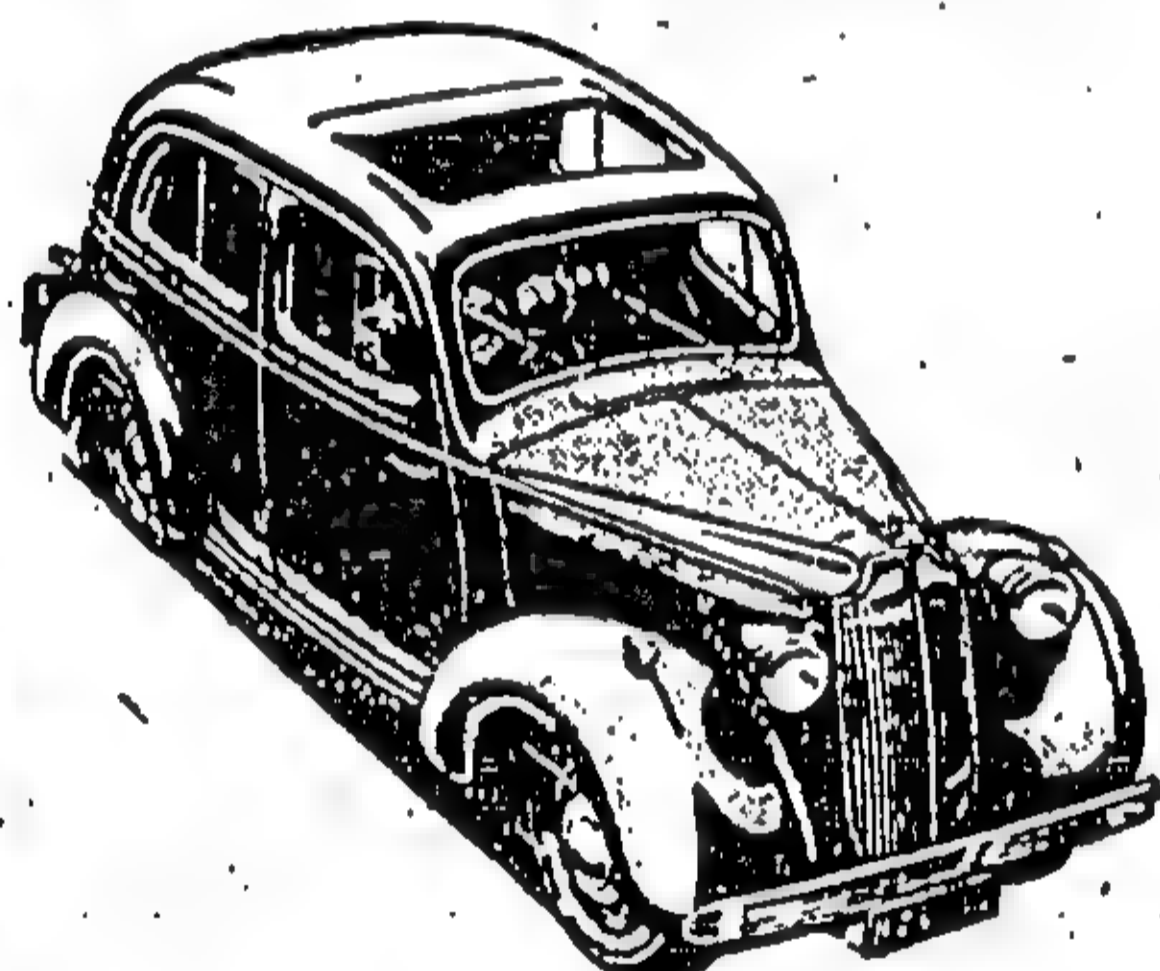
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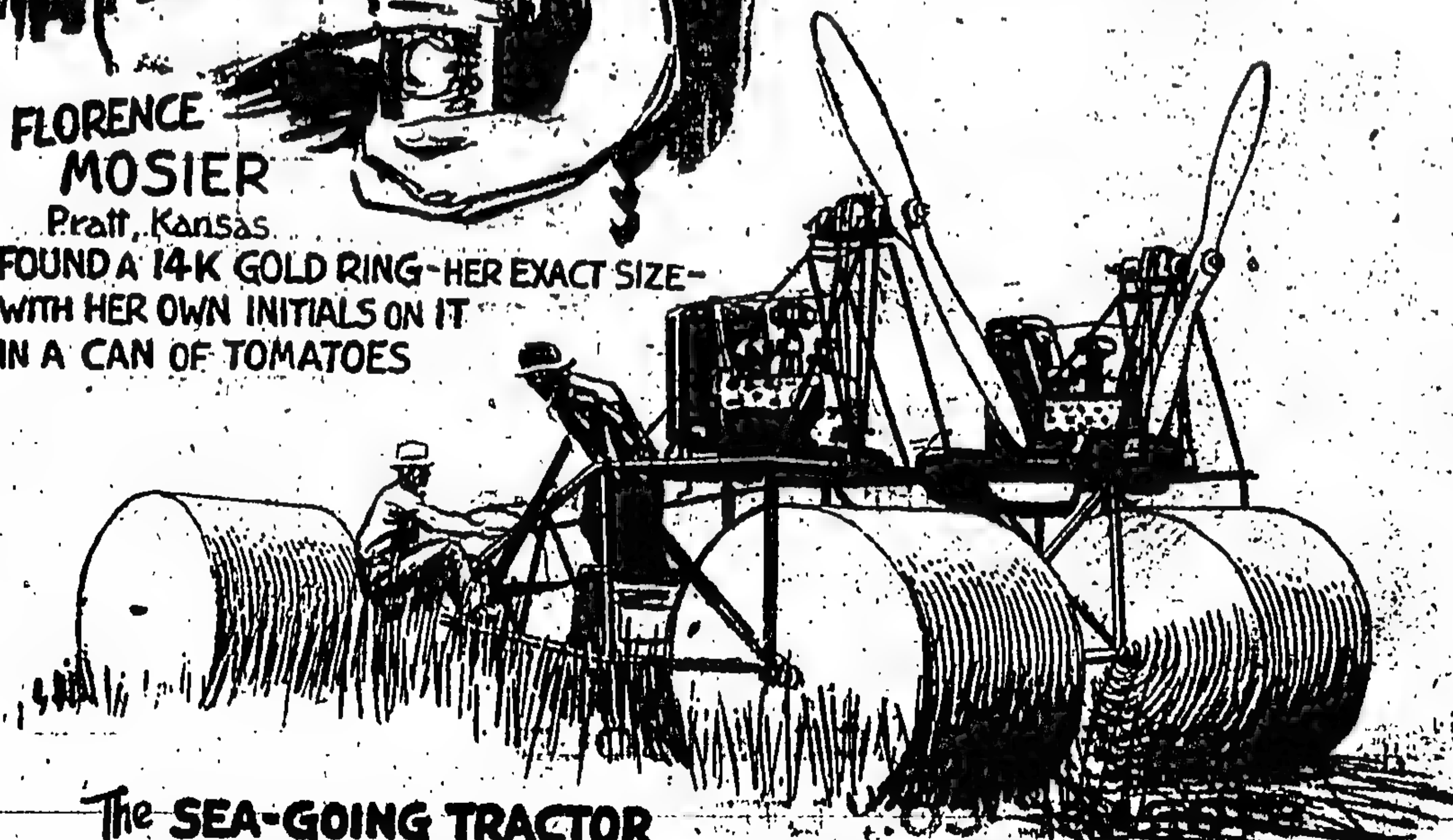
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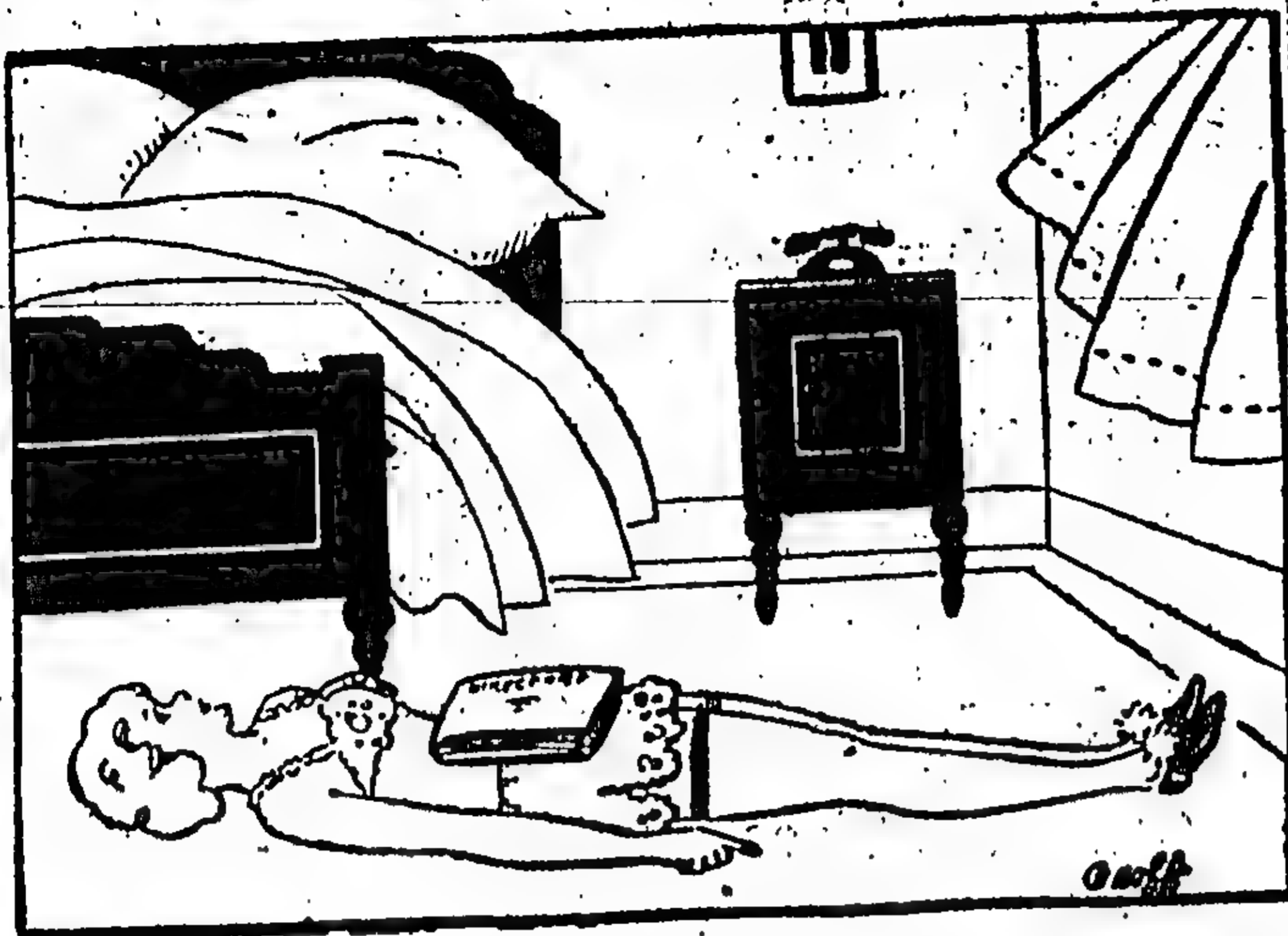
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Beauty and You

by PATRICIA LINDSAY



A heavy book helps firm a flabby abdomen! Raise it up and down with your stomach muscles while you lie flat on the floor.

Simple Formula For Streamlining Young Figure

If you are under thirties, and a movie director promised you an important role providing you would streamline your figure within one month, would you do it? The answer depends upon your character. If you are lazy you would hesitate; if you are ambitious and meticulous you would instantly say "Yes!" Even though you are stage struck the offer would be a tempting one!

Weight control is easier if you have a motive for reducing and exercising. Why not pretend that in one month you are going into pictures, or you are marching up to the altar with the man of your dreams? Then follow the simple formula which slimmed dark-eyed

Gale Page for her first picture "Four Daughters."

When the movies captured Gale from the radio, the charm directors ordered her to reduce ten pounds quickly, and take off an inch or two here and there. She immediately cut out starches and fats and watched her diet carefully. Then religiously she did these corrective exercises:

TO FIRM ABDOMEN

Press the tips of the fingers and thumbs together, keeping elbows high on line with shoulders. Without separating the fingers and thumbs, press them together and

Many Buttons Mean Much Chic

A double row of buttons down the front is the sole trimming on this straight little dress for campus or office wear — an extremely smart new note, and just right for a business-like, simple style. This design is delightfully becoming even to thin girls who usually shy away from tailored styles. That's because the line is softened, made more feminine, by inside pleats just above the waistline.

With the tailored, notched collar, you can wear a bright ascot, a sports necklace, or one of the many funny little gadgets to pin to your lapel. You'll love it in flannel, jersey, wool crepe or flat crepe, with decorative buttons in contrast.



relax. If you are doing the exercise correctly you will feel chest muscles pull and those in upper arms. 50 times morning and night.

TO SLIM WAISTLINE

Stand with knees rigid and bend from the waist, hands touching the floor. (You know that one!) 25 times morning and night.

Lying flat on the back, pull your abdomen in as flat as possible and then push it out. Try it with the telephone directory (if it is heavy) on your stomach. 35 times morning and night.

TO SLIM HIPS

Roll over and over on a hard surface, keeping shoulders pinned

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What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLAKE

You cannot afford to be too busy to recognize some of the beautiful things that will be observable this day. By being unmindful of what is going on around you, you might suffer a decided loss of some kind. It might be well not to accept what people say too literally, for much is likely to be said in the way of politeness only, with little or no sincerity back of it. The imagination of the average person is apt to be exceptionally lively this day, so many fanciful tales are likely to be narrated. However, many facts much stranger than fiction, perhaps, will be told, and in some cases, unfortunately, are going to be doubted. A good deal of good, sound advice is likely to be offered, so consider carefully suggestions made to you, because one of them might save you from a lot of trouble. Married and engaged couples, as well as those whose courtship is progressing satisfactorily, ought to be careful to give no offence by questioning the truthfulness of any statement made this day.

If a woman and November 24 is your birthday, whatever responsibilities might be thrust upon you, probably will be discharged in a thoroughly efficient manner. You must never question your ability to compete successfully with other people in your line of activity. You conserve your energy, thereby frequently giving strangers the impression that you lack it, but when the occasion arises you display a dynamic spirit. You are not likely to believe in having more than one iron in the fire, so whatever you undertake ought to be done exceptionally well. The lecture platform, stage, radio broadcasting, schoolroom or selling field ought to provide the right sphere of activity for you. A congenial husband.

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Witty Kitty



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Make this of soft wool, challis or cashmere, silk crepe or velvet. Some very smart new models show this buttoned-down-the-front style in sheer velvet.

(Continued from Column 1)

band and a home of your own, are the best mediums for you to find the greatest amount of happiness.

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amount of harmless romancing during its adolescence. When childhood merges into youth, this child as a rule becomes very dependable and ambitious.

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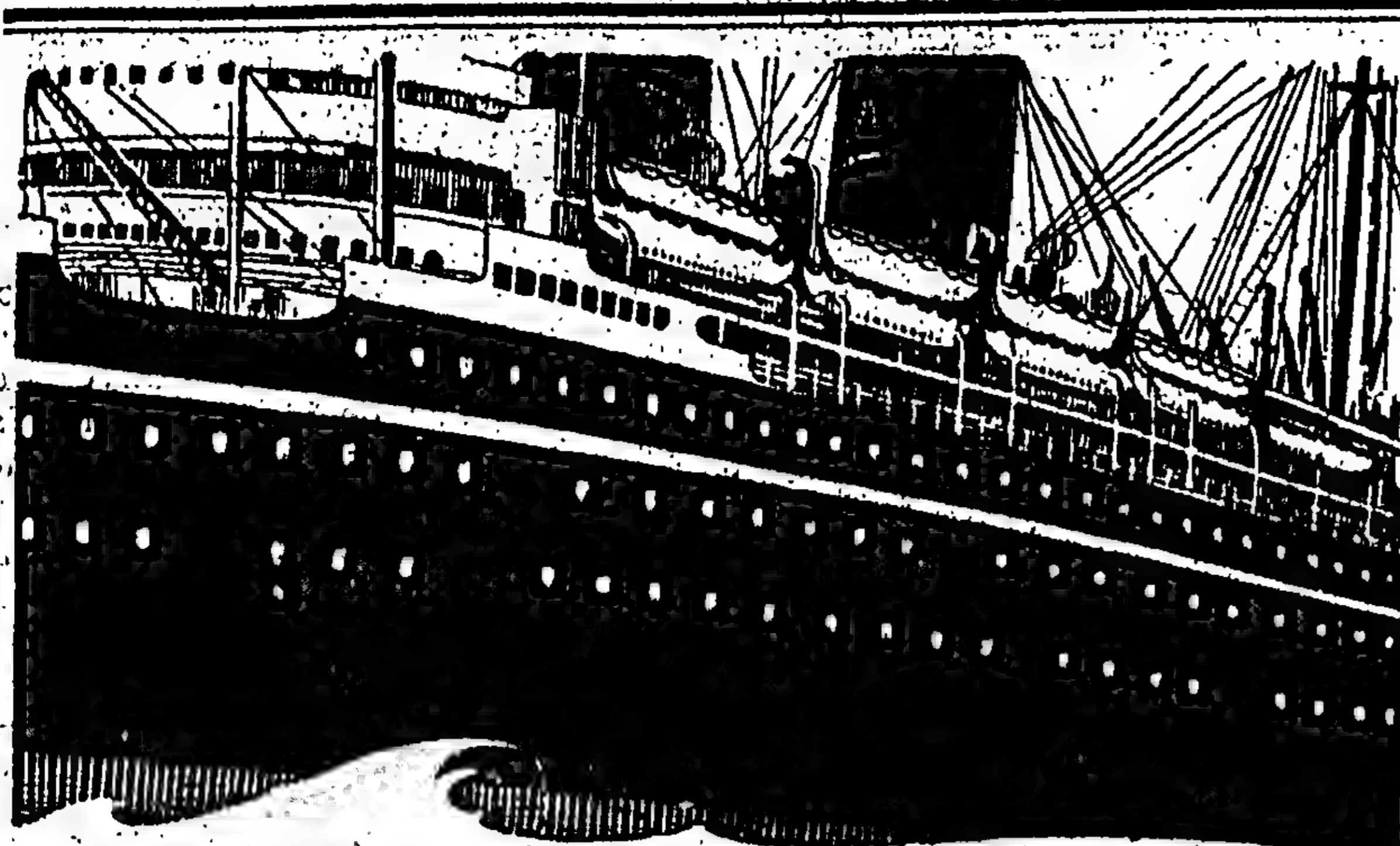
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Registered Mail 9.15 a.m. 25th November.
Ordinary Mail 10.00 a.m. 25th November

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Postal Service to Canton is temporarily suspended.

Ordinary letter mail only for West Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Szechwan, Kweichow & Hunan will be accepted at senders' risk.

INWARD MAELS

Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service" — San Francisco date 16th November.

Pan-American Airways Plane, Nov. 24.
Tjisaroea November 24.
Pres. Doumer November 24.

Japan and Shanghai
Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, date 27th October and London Parcels—London date, 20th October.

Corfu November 24.
Munam November 25.
Nanking November 25.
Rawalpindi November 25.
Kamo Maru November 25.
Yunnan November 25.

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Amoy
Straits

Imperial Airways Plane, November 26.
Corneville November 26.
Szechuen November 26.
Alipore November 27.
Tjisalak November 27.
Achilles November 28.

OUTWARD MAELS

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per Thursday	Date and Time.
Amoy	Tjisadane	Nov. 24, 2 p.m.
Bangkok	Helios	Nov. 24, 1.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Taiposek	Nov. 24, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow and Chuanchow	Seistan	Nov. 24, 8 p.m.
Saigon	Pres. Doumer	Nov. 24, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 1st Dec.	Imperial Airways Plane	Nov. 24, 5 p.m.
	K.P.O.—Reg.	Nov. 24, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Nov. 24, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.—Reg.	Nov. 24, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Nov. 24, 7 p.m.
	Imperial Airways Plane	Nov. 24, 7 p.m.
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	Ord.	Nov. 24, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.—Reg.	Nov. 24, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Nov. 24, 7 p.m.

Friday
Swatow Suiyang Nov. 25, 8.30 a.m.
U.S.A., Central & South America via Emp. of Asia Fri., Nov. 25, 1.30 p.m.
Vancouver B.C. and (Parcels and Papers for Canada and U.S.A.)—due Vancouver B.C., 12th Dec. Par., Nov. 24, 3 p.m.
Reg., Nov. 25, 9.15 a.m.
Ord., Nov. 25, 10 a.m.

Shanghai, Japan and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia Corfu Nov. 25, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Shanghai and Tientsin Taisang Nov. 25, 1.30 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand Kamo Maru Fri., Nov. 25, 5 p.m.
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TAIPING	10 Mar.	17 Mar.	20 Mar.	5 Apr.

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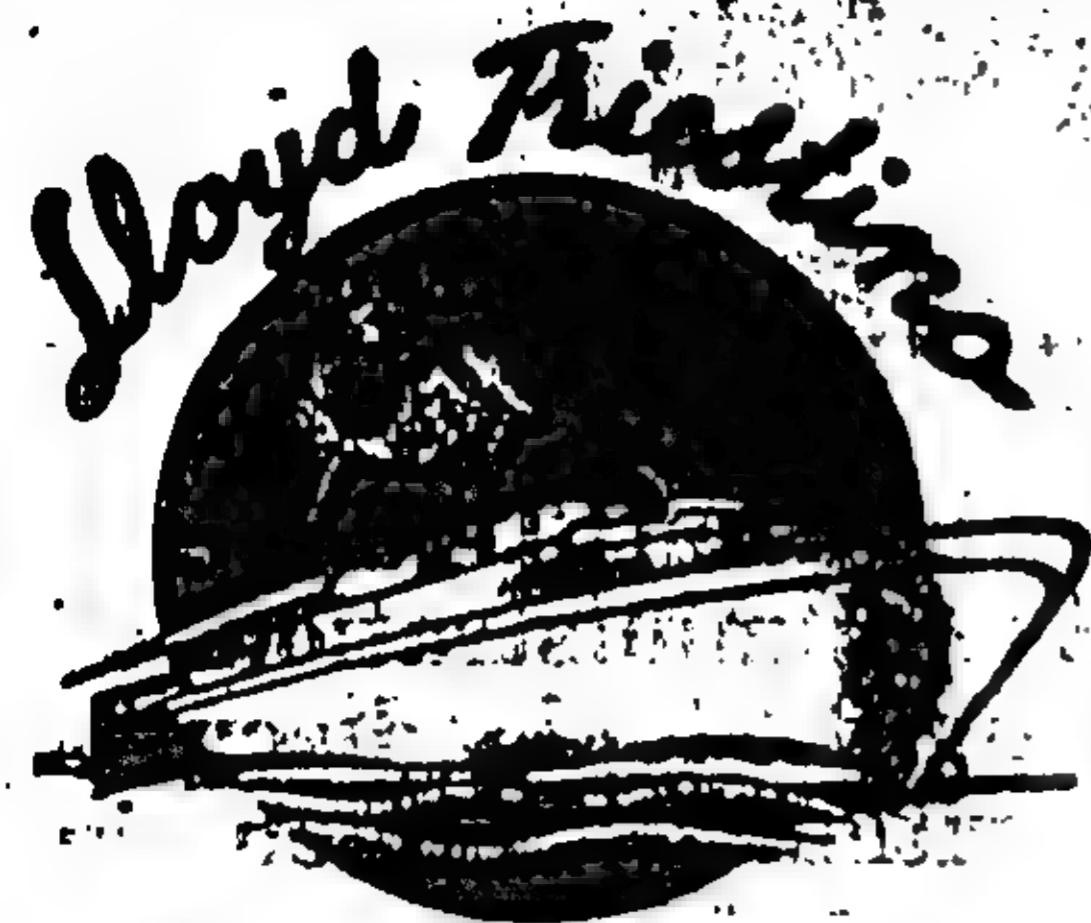
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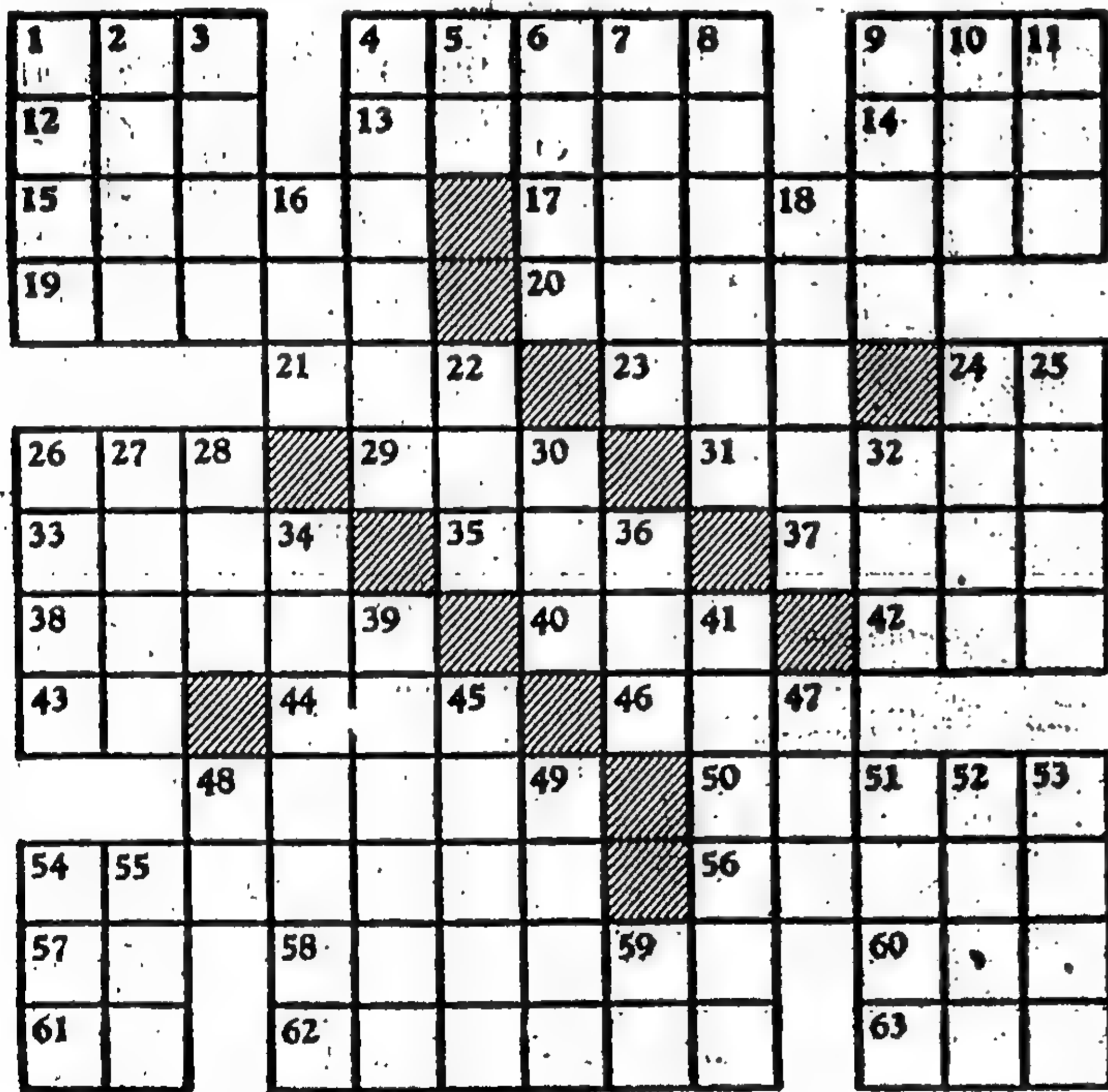
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- 14 Humming bird
- 15 To wear away
- 17 Captured
- 19 Hereafter
- 20 Locales
- 21 Worm
- 23 Clique
- 24 French article
- 26 Kind of tree
- 29 Period
- 31 Smooth cloth
- 33 To harvest
- 35 To cut
- 37 Cargo
- 38 Evergreen
- 40 Offer
- 42 Vetch
- 43 Part of "to be"
- 44 Corded fabric
- 46 Racket

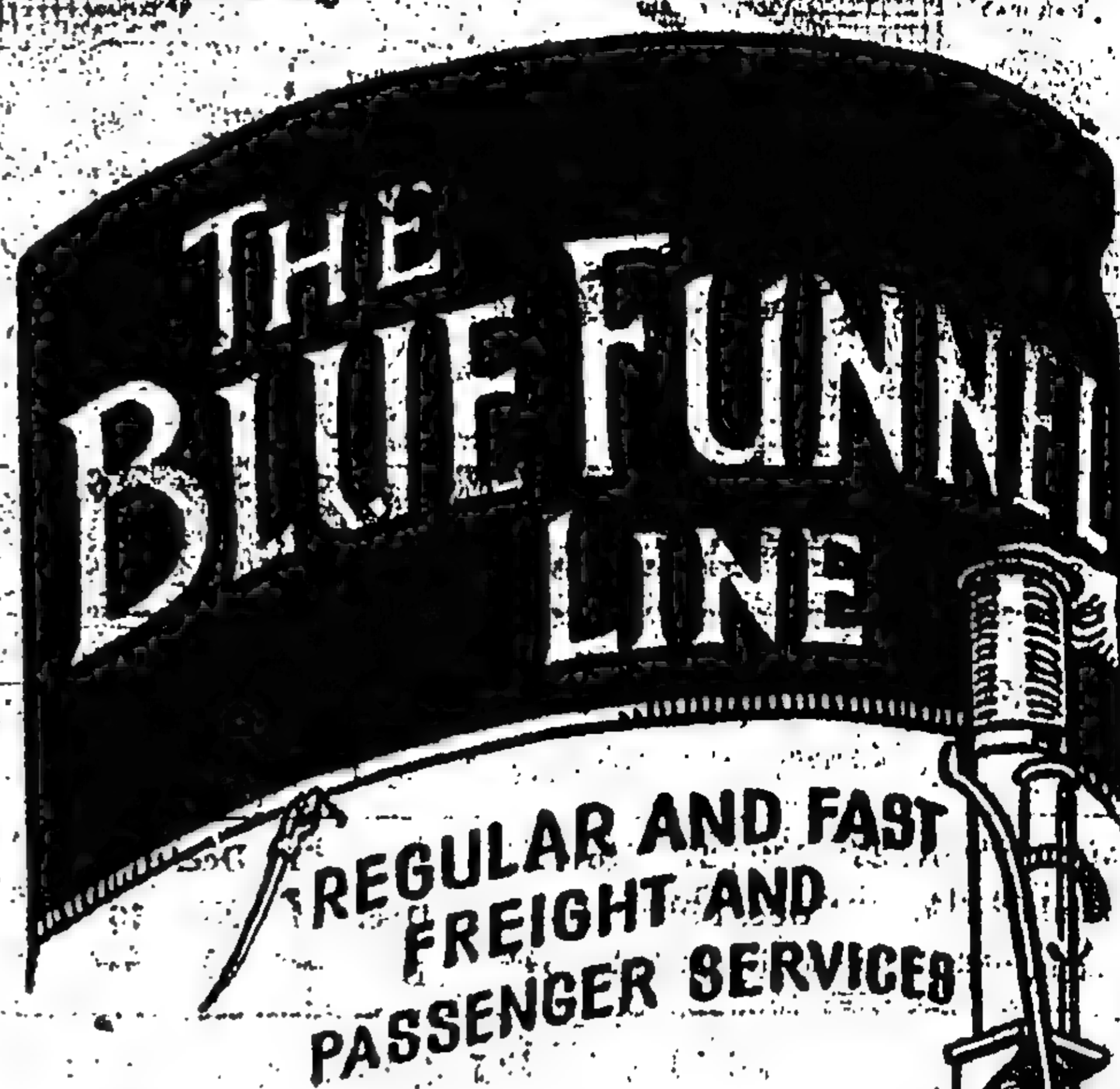
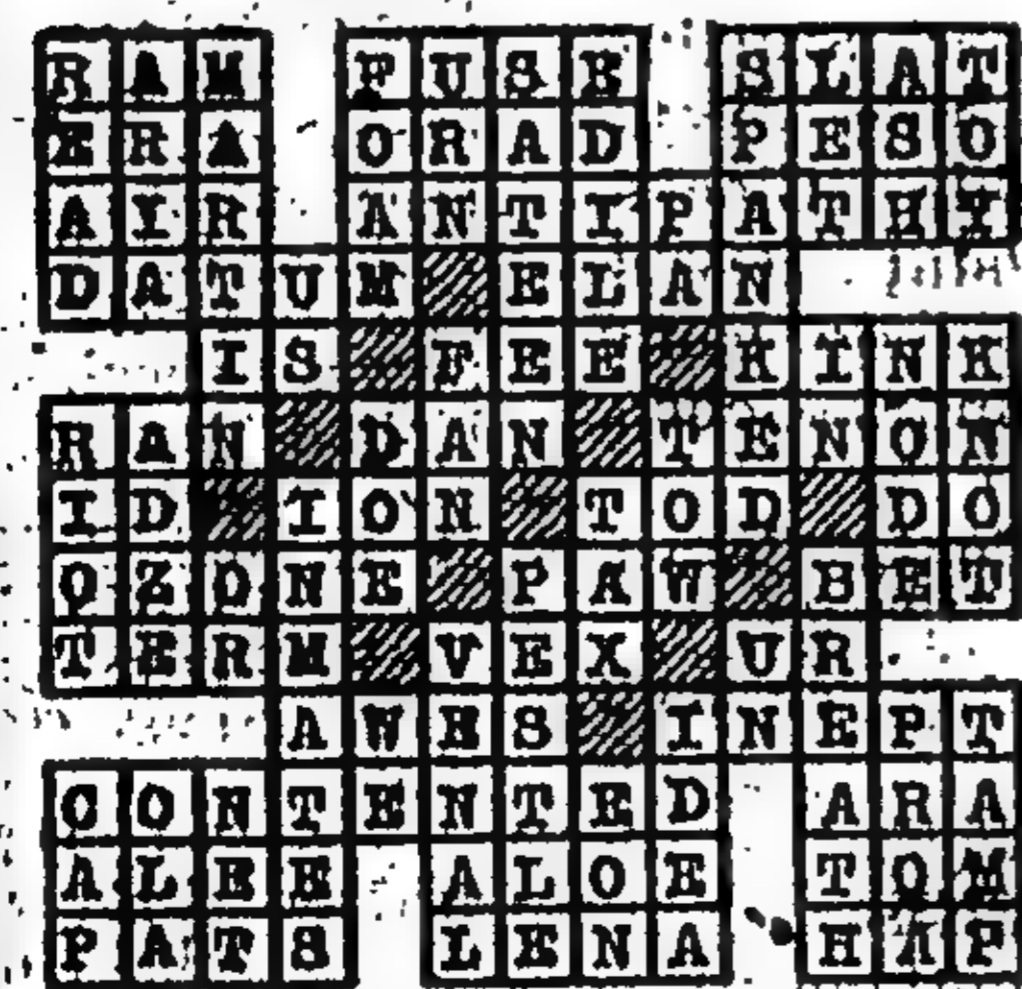
- 48 Measures
- 50 Lassoed
- 54 To suggest
- 56 Swedish coin
- 57 Sloth
- 58 Property
- 60 Western Indian
- 61 To perform
- 62 Examiner

VERTICAL

- 1 To sense
- 2 City of India
- 3 Whistle sound
- 4 Opposed
- 5 To exist
- 6 Enemies

- 7 Garments of India
- 8 Cheers
- 9 Tops
- 10 Hall
- 11 Very foolish
- 16 Scotch river
- 18 Part of flower
- 22 To weep
- 24 Provocator
- 25 Goals
- 26 Sacred chest
- 27 To appear
- 28 Possessed
- 30 Colloquial head
- 32 Part of boot
- 34 Protection
- 36 Napkin
- 39 Rest
- 41 Not so light
- 45 Plagues
- 47 Jutting rock
- 48 Preposition
- 49 Site
- 51 To rain
- 52 Heraldic device
- 53 Act
- 54 Cushion
- 55 River
- 59 Symbol for tellurium

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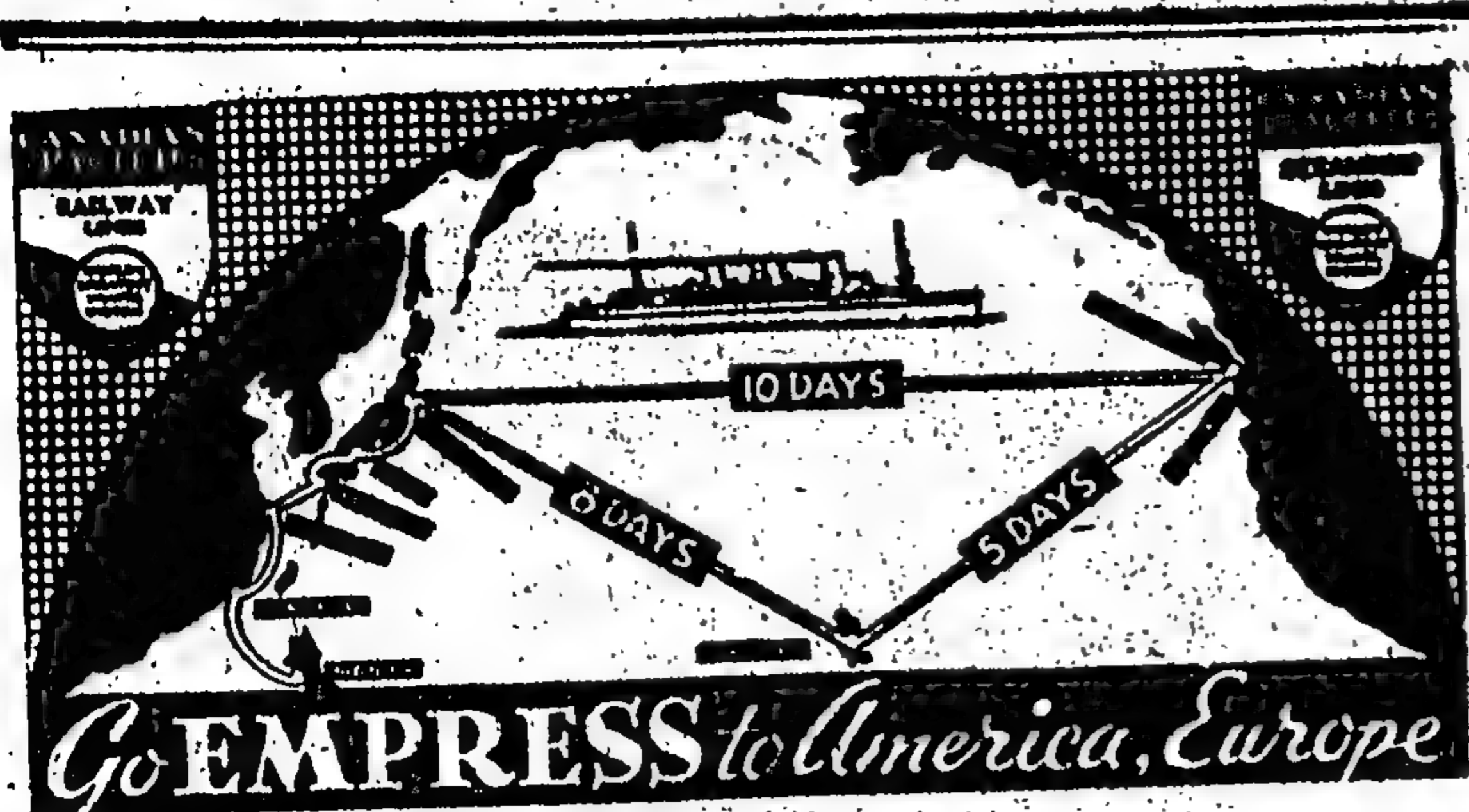
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Asia	Nov. 25	Nov. 27	Nov. 29	Dec. 1	Dec. 3	—	Dec. 12
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Italy's Claim To Directorship In Suez Canal Co.

London, To-day.

Italy's claim for a share in the administration of the Suez Canal will be among the topics discussed by the French and British Statesmen in Paris.

The Italian Government brought this matter up in connection with implementing of the Anglo-Italian agreement and has already communicated its views on this question to London and Cairo.

ATTEMPT TO DEFRAUD LANE, CRAWFORD'S

A well dressed Chinese named Yap Sin Fatt, aged 24, was this morning charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy, with attempt to obtain a sum of \$210 by means of an invalid cheque, from Lane Crawford Ltd, on November 18.

Defendant was remanded for 48 hours. Detective Sergeant H. B. Dewar was in charge of the case.

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In London, this occurred; it is learned, in the course of an interview which Count Dino Grandi, the Italian Ambassador, had with Sir John Simon on November 10, in which he dealt with a series of questions of an economic and financial character.

Italy bases its claim on the fact that since the conquest of Abyssinia, Italy occupies second place to England in the volume of shipping passing through the Suez Canal.

Rome is said to have expressed a wish for a reduction in the canal dues but for technical reasons is not desirous of purchasing a large block of shares of the Suez Canal Company.

What is at present under consideration is that Italy should be given a share in the administration of the company's affairs by appointing an Italian as one of the directors of the company. — Trans-Ocean.

STRANGE PRAGUE RETICENCE

Prague, To-day.

Although the rest of the world was informed on Tuesday evening of the selection of the prominent Czech jurist, Dr. Hacha, as candidate for the presidency of the Czechoslovak Republic, no Czech newspaper was permitted to print his name until last evening, when the semi-official Czechoslovak news agency issued an announcement.

Why the Government censors refused to allow the name to be announced is a mystery, particularly in view of the fact that Slovak papers featuring it could be bought at every newsstand.

"Narodny Listy" writes that the Foreign Minister, Dr. Chvalkovsky, had been proposed for the post but had declined, stating that his services were required in the ministry that would lay the foundation for the new Czechoslovak foreign policy. — Trans-Ocean.

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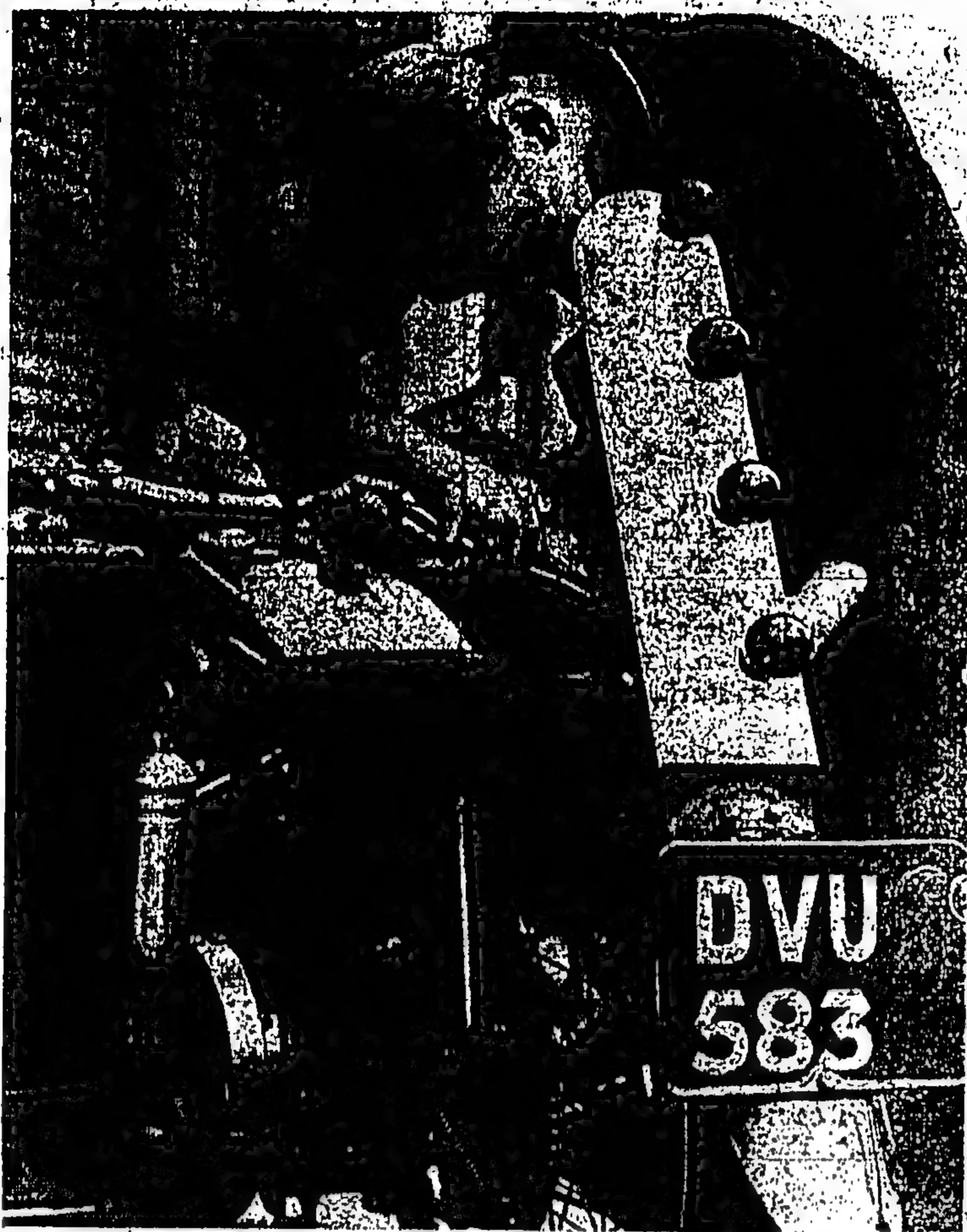
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A THOUGHT FOR FOGGY DAYS. Elaborate preparations are being made all over England to combat the common enemy of transport, fog. At Parrswood Omnibus garage, East Didsbury, Manchester, motor-tricycle patrols are ready and on the alert for emergency calls, when they will go out into the fog and lead in or rescue stranded buses. Photo shows fixing lights on the rear mud-guard of one of the "fog squad" machine at the garage.

EUROPEAN BOYCOTT OF THE JAPANESE

London, To-day.
The boycott of Japanese goods has recently considerably increased in the various countries according to reports from Geneva.

In the first six months of 1938, the total exports from Japan decreased by 21 per cent. compared with the same period 1937. July exports were 25 per cent. smaller than in July, 1937. Holland is leading in the boycott movement in Europe with a reduction of the import of Japanese goods by 37 per cent. compared with 1937, followed by France with 24 per cent. and England with 9 per cent.

The reduction in the U.S. is 48 per cent., in the Straits Settlements 75 per cent. English papers appeal to the public not to buy Japanese goods at their Christmas shopping.—Trans-Ocean.

LIVELINESS ON METAL MARKET

London, To-day.
Announcement of reintroduction of copper restriction surprised yesterday's market only in that it was earlier than generally expected.

The present statistical position of copper had led to widespread belief that such action was necessitated sooner or later.

Copper dealers admitted to Reuter that the decision of the producers is capable of bearish interpretation as it envisages no substantial improvement in consumption in the

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-27/32.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London at 20-1/8 and forward at 19-5/8.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.6637 and the New York/London rate at £—U.S.\$4.66-3/16.

near future.

The market, however, appeared to be optimistically disposed and greeted the announcement with an appreciable advance in prices.

Sentiment on the whole Metal Exchange seemed to be brighter, tin and spelter also sharing the upward trend.—Reuter.

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Answer to-morrow.

STERLING STRENGTHENS AGAINST DOLLAR

London, To-day.

Following Tuesday's rather unhappy experience, sterling displayed considerably more buoyancy yesterday.

Trading was quieter and only a little early support was needed to keep the sterling-U.S. dollar rate on an even keel.

The sharpness of Tuesday's decline in sterling in terms of the

U.S. dollar was the subject of much discussion, and some criticised the feeble resistance put up by the British control.

"HOT" MONEY

On the other hand, others assert that the Pound was depressed by international political considerations causing a renewed drift of Continental sterling balances to dollars.

While the movement of this "hot" money was temporary unsettling it will not be regretted in the long run, and did not warrant the Exchange Fund literally throwing good money after bad.—Reuter.

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K. TONG 'B' RECOVER WELL

FISHER AND ANDERSON IN THRILLING TUSSLE SOARES AND TSANG ARE PROMISING

(By "ADREM")

Down by three games to love at the conclusion of the first round, Kowloon Tong "B" made a fine recovery to win all the remaining games to emerge victors in their debut League match by 6 games to 3.

PLAYING DURING THE EVENING NEVER REACHED A PARTICULARLY HIGH STANDARD FROM THE VIEW OF BRILLIANCY IN COMBINATION AND COURTCRAFT BUT SOME OF THE GAMES, NOTABLY THAT BETWEEN FISHER AND ANDERSON AND T. J. ONG AND C. Y. YUNG, REACHED A HIGH FOR EXCITEMENT AND FLUCTUATING FORTUNE THAT IS NOT LIKELY TO BE REACHED AGAIN FOR SOME TIME TO COME.

This game undoubtedly proved the turning point of the evening and it was noticeable that the other home pairings gained considerably in efficiency and confidence after that drastic first half hour when the Wanderers made them look novices.

Fisher and Anderson, who favoured the side-by-side formation, played extremely badly in their first game, appearing to find great difficulty in combination and even more difficulty in accustoming themselves to conditions.

VAST EXPERIENCE

Although they did not greatly improve in combination as the evening progressed, their individual capabilities and their vast experience of the game, enabled them to turn losing positions into meritorious victories.

Against Ong and Yung, they were down 18-19 and all appeared to be up. Then, the pressure which was brought on Ong at this stage caused him to crack. He made innumerable mistakes, especially in receiving high services and the score slowly crept up.

Setting at 19, Anderson and Fisher were down 1-4. They then made another recovery and amid tremendous excitement, went out at 5-4 to consolidate the Kowloon Tong recovery which Soares and Tsang had given initial impetus in the previous game.

PROMISING PAIR

The latter pair, an entirely experimental combination, after a shaky start, settled down to play excellent badminton. Soares gave a fine forcing display, smashing and driving with great power, and later, accuracy. Tsang, a left-hander,

covered court very well and exploited a wide range of strokes.

This pair should do very well in future matches as they work out more combination between them.

Easily the finest player on the losing side was J. S. Ho. In partnership with a comparative newcomer to the game, he almost won two games on his own racket. He was here, there and everywhere; smashed well, positioned himself better and showed a fine knowledge of courtcraft.

T. J. Ong, former Chinese Y.M.C.A. player, was disappointing. It is still apparent that he has retained most of his old strokes, but his lack of stamina, unless rectified to some extent, is going to lose him many more games before the season is out.

Liang and E. S. Ho were unable to produce a killing shot between them and this accounted for their lack of success.

SHOULD ALTER LINE-UP

I feel that Wanderers, in order to improve their team, would be advised to alter their line-up to some extent and endeavour to field at least two strong pairs in the hopes of them winning four or five games.

A. L. Fisher and J. L. Anderson (Kowloon Tong).
lost to S. W. Liang and E. S. Ho 12-21
beat S. O. Cheung and J. S. Ho 24-19
beat T. J. Ong and C. Y. Yung 24-23
J. Tsang and J. A. de V. Soares (Kowloon Tong).
beat Liang and Ho 21-11
lost to Cheung and Ho 11-21
beat Ong and Yung 21-12
N. A. E. Mackay and A. Chan (Kowloon Tong).
beat Liang and Ho 21-11
beat Cheung and Ho 21-16
lost to Ong and Yung 10-21

JOHN CHEN AND F. TSANG GIVE K. TONG VICTORY

Three Badminton
League Matches
Last Night

Fine play by John Chen and F. Tsang, who won all three of their games saw Kowloon Tong "A", runners-up last year to St. John's, beat Recreio in their "B" Division League Badminton match last night at King's Park, by 5 matches to 4.

Two other League encounters were also held, Kowloon Tong "B" beating the Wanderers by 6 matches to 3 after being three matches down at the completion of the first round, while St. John's, last year's champions, had a comfortable passage against Victoria Recreation Club, winning by nine clear matches.

K. TONG "A" WIN

Detailed scores were:

At King's Park, Kowloon Tong "A" beat Recreio by 5 games to 4.

C. N. da Silva and J. N. da Silva (Recreio).

beat Peter Lo and B. P. C. Fletcher 21-8

lost to John Chen and F. Tsang 18-21

beat R. E. Lee and F. S. Ko 21-11

M. M. de V. Soares and C. C. Pereira (Recreio).

lost to Lo and Fletcher 18-21

lost to Chen and Tsang 17-21

lost to Lee and Ko 14-21

A. E. Xavier and A. E. Noronha (Recreio).

beat Lo and Fletcher 21-14

lost to Chen and Tsang 15-21

beat Lee and Ko 21-18

ST. JOHN'S EASY WIN

In the "B" Division of the Badminton League, St. John's beat Victoria Recreation Club by 9 matches to nil.

F. H. Kwok and R. Beavan (St. John's).

beat Rumjahn and Fisher 21-7

beat Arculli and Xavier 21-10

beat Ulrich and Castro 21-11

N. Smith and P. Wilson (St. John's).

beat Rumjahn and Fisher 21-8

beat Arculli and Xavier 21-7

beat Ulrich and Castro 21-7

D. Kwok and S. Newman (St. John's).

beat Rumjahn and Fisher 21-13

beat Arculli and Xavier 21-7

beat Ulrich and Castro 21-7

F. J. LAY CARRIES BAT FOR 108

An undefeated century knock of 108 by F. J. Lay featured the friendly cricket match between Diocesan Boys School and an eleven captained by B. D. Lay yesterday afternoon, the School winning by 92 runs.

Scores were:

D.B.S.: 191 for 4 wickets, dec. (F. J. Lay 108 not out, D. Cray 43).

B. D. Lay's XI: 99 (J. Fong 34, W. L. Rapley 16; D. Cray 4 for 47, C. B. R. Sargent 5 for 27).

SURREY'S RUGBY VICTORY

Eastern Counties Lose
At Chichester

London, To-day. Eastern Counties proved no match for Surrey in their Rugby Union County Championship encounter played at Chichester, being beaten by 12 points to 8.

Three other matches were also held, Devon beating the Royal Navy at Devonport by a goal (5 points) to nil, but the Army held their own against the London Hospital, winning by 13 points to nil. In the remaining encounter Oxford University beat Mr. Stanley's XI by 15 points to 6.—Reuter.

"REVIEWER'S" SPORTS COMMENTARY

Wimbledon is Worried

Donald Budge, Fred Perry, Vincent Richards, and other American tennis champions have been signed up by Wembley for next May. Wimbledon is seriously worried.

Unless Wimbledon is prepared to change its rules and allow professionals and amateurs to compete in the same tournaments it had better close down.

With the retirement of "Bunny" Austin from official tennis tournaments, the chances of the British Davis Cup team going through the European zone are very remote. Unless some new star arises in British tennis circles, 1939 Davis Cup prospects are indeed poor.

Retained Full Power In His Thirties

I have some interesting details for athletic readers.

"The success of Mrs. Helen Willis-Moody in winning the Wimbledon championship at the age of 33 recalls to mind a parallel instance of a champion retaining his full powers till well in his thirties.

"On May 27, 1924, Dr. Harold M. Osborn (U.S.A.) literally jumped to fame when he cleared 6ft 8½ in in the running high jump, breaking a world's record which had stood for ten years.

"Right after that he sailed as a member of the American Olympic team to compete in Paris, where he made an Olympic record of 6ft 6in for the high jump, and also established a new mark for the Decathlon. Osborn was then 25 years of age. Next year he equalled the world's record for the standing high jump with a leap of 5ft 5¾ in.

"The way he retained his powers as a jumper is well illustrated by the best performances he recorded year after year.

"These in the years from 1925 to 1938 were:—

Running high jump: 6ft 8 15-16in, 6'4½, 6'7, 6'5, 7'8, 6'4, 6'6, 6'6, 6'4½, 6'2, 6'8½, 6'8, 6'6, 6'3, and 6'0.

Standing high jump: 5ft 5¾in, 5'2, 5'4, 5'2, 5'3, 5'4, 5'8, 5'2, 5'2, 5'8, 5'3, 5'6, 5'7, 5'6, 5'1, and 5'2.

"The drop in the last two years was due to the fact that Dr. Osborn engaged in only three meets in the two years. He believes, however, that he could still clear 6ft 6in with proper training. The figures quoted come from a letter from Osborn.

Dr. Osborn's leap of 6ft 8in at 36 years of age is something that will take beating.

British Athletes Held As Spies

British athletes, travelling through Europe, will give Germany a wide berth after the experience of members of the British athletic team which travelled from Italy to Norway.

As soon as the team arrived in Germany the members were all arrested and held incommunicado for several hours, during which time they were third-degreed, their clothes searched, with lining ripped open, and all documents translated, even to the extent of their credentials as members of the British athletic team taking part in the Italian and Norwegian games.

Members of the team felt they were secure when they mentioned they had just come from Italy, a friendly ally of Germany. The opposite was the case. They fear to mention what might have happened if they had come from Czechoslovakia.

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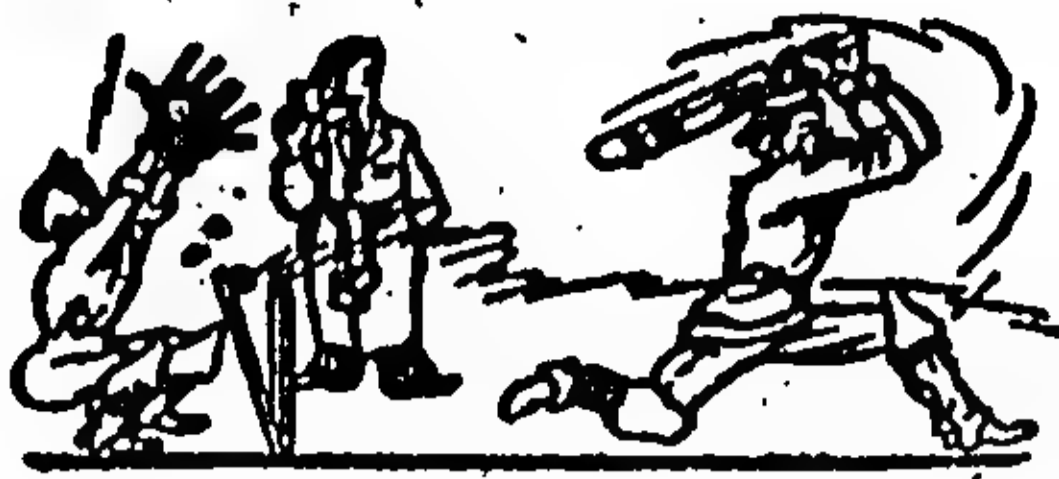
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VARSITY FRESHMEN'S SPORTS

Cambridge Surprise.
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J. F. LOCKWOOD IN FORM

(By AIR MAIL)

London, November 10.

The Oxford and Cambridge University Freshmen's sports were decided yesterday afternoon at Oxford, but despite the brilliant sunshine, there was only a moderate attendance. The contest was decided on points, five being awarded for a win, three for second place, and one for third.

Cambridge caused something of a surprise by winning with an aggregate of 68½ points against Oxford's 48½ points, but the outstanding feature of the contest was a triple victory for J. F. Lockwood (Oxford), who won the 220 Yards Low Hurdles, the 100 Yards, and the Long Jump.

Cambridge were ten points to the good after the first six events, and they went further ahead in the Three Miles, in which the three Cambridge runners soon outpaced the Oxford men and raced amongst themselves practically all the way. Oxford failed to score in that event, and Cambridge virtually settled the issue in the eighth event—Putting the Weight—wherein M. G. Heath and J. W. Earp, the two Cambridge representatives, repeated their Discuss performance by filling the first two places, Heath winning each time.

100 Yards.—J. F. Lockwood (Oxford), 1; G. R. V. Dowling (Cambridge), 2; E. Paterson (Cambridge), 3. 2 yds.; 1 ft. Time, 10.3 sec.

880 Yards.—G. F. Wethered (Oxford), 1; C. N. Jupp (Cambs.), 2; M. F. Rawlence (Cambs.), 3. 5 yds.; 15. Time, 2 min. 2.5 sec.

440 Yards.—Lord Cathcart (Cambridge), 1; P. Edmundson (Cambridge), 2; P. J. Carmody (Oxford), 3. 8 yds.; 6. Time, 51.3 sec.

One Mile.—D. G. Mayall (Cambridge), 1; D. Cary-Elwes (Cambridge), 2; R. M. Clement (Oxford), 3. 8 yds.; 5. Time, 4 min. 39.4 sec.

Three Miles.—P. W. Coggins (Cambs.), 1; W. C. Young (Cambs.), 2; D. Whitfield (Cambs.), 3. 15 yd.; 95. Time, 15 min. 42.6 sec.

120 Yards Hurdles.—G. F. Wethered (Oxford) and R. N. Posnett (Cambridge), equal 1; C. D. Earle (Cambridge), 3. Time, 16.8 sec.

220 Yards Low Hurdles.—J. F. Lockwood (Oxford), 1; E. J. Hodge (Cambs.), 2; G. C. Philo (Oxford), 3. 5 yd.; 10. Time, 26.8 sec.

High Jump.—A. E. Barker (Oxford), 5 ft. 8½ in.; K. B. Keith (Cambridge), 5 ft. 7½ in.; D. G. Mathieson (Oxford), and R. F. Overton (Cambridge), 5 ft. 2 in., equal 3.

Long Jump.—J. F. Lockwood (Oxford), 22 ft. 1 in.; K. B. Keith (Cambs.), 20 ft. 9 in.; J. Ramsden (Oxford), 19 ft. 11½ in., 3.

Throwing the Discus.—M. G. Heath (Cambs.), 115 ft. 1 in.; J. W. Earp (Cambs.), 109 ft. 10 in.; L. E. Jacobson (Oxford), 108 ft. 8 in., 3.

Putting the Weight.—M. G. Heath (Cambs.), 33 ft. 6½ in.; J. W. Earp (Cambs.), 27 ft. 8½ in.; L. E. Jacobson (Oxford), 27 ft., 3.

Pole Vault.—A. M. Robinson (Oxford), 10 ft. 6 in.; F. S. Aldercotte (Cambridge), 10 ft. 6 in.; A. C. Fitt (Cambridge), 9 ft. 6 in., 3.

Throwing the Javelin.—D. M. Dobell (Oxford), 140 ft. 11 in.; H. Levin (Oxford), 137 ft. 4½ in.; F. Hamer (Cambridge), 116 ft. 8½ in., 3.

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HUTTON OFFERS CONTRAST TO PAYNTER'S FIREWORKS

(By AIR MAIL)

Capetown, November 8.

With Paynter of Lancashire playing a grandly aggressive innings of 193, and W. R. Hammond, the captain, scoring 106, the M.C.C. scored 589 for eight wickets on the first day of their two-day match against a Western Province country XI at the Strand to-day. Hutton, B. H. Valentine, and Verity also topped the 50 mark. This was the first day of the tour of South Africa, during which 19 matches, including five Tests, will be played.

Though the bowling for the most part was not difficult, the batting of the visitors was very impressive. Paynter's form against all types of bowling indicates that he will be a menace to South Africa in the Tests. The small band of about 700 spectators yelled with delight as the little Lancastrian smote the ball to and over the boundary.

Paynter hit five 6s and eighteen 4s in a very entertaining innings. He got his first 50 in 35 minutes, the second in 58 minutes, the third in 40 minutes, and his last 43 in 21 minutes. Altogether he was at the wicket for 154 minutes.

The only possible chance he gave was when he was 49. He hooked the ball hard and high to the leg boundary. It looked to be going for 6, but J. Morkel, and 18-year-old member of the famous sporting family, leapt up and stopped the ball, but dropped it. It was a very hard chance.

TWO LUCRATIVE PARTNERSHIPS

Paynter was concerned in two partnerships of 157, with Hutton for the second wicket and with Hammond for the third. Everyone looked to Hutton for an initial big score after his record-breaking score of 364 in the final Test against Australia, and he did not disappoint, though he took 1 hour 42 minutes over his 68. He was cautious, but his stroke play was delightful, especially his cutting and strokes to leg. Hutton hit only three boundaries in a rather restrained innings.

The supreme ease with which Hammond scored was a joy to watch. He was at home against all the bowlers, and hit four 6s and seven 4s. In one over after tea he hit 19, including two 6s, and was eventually stumped in hitting out. Ames gave a polished if brief display for his 31, and Valentine impressed with powerful hitting which brought him four 6s, two in succession, and three 4s. He made his 69 in forty-four minutes. Altogether thirteen 6s were hit during the day.

Sleigh, who bowls well-flighted slow off-spinners, has taken five for 161. He got Hammond, Ames, and Valentine stumped, and also dismissed Bartlett and Wright. Edrich was the only failure, being out for 9.

YORKS-LANC CONTRAST

It was thought that the wicket would help the bowlers, but Hammond, on winning the toss, gave the M.C.C. first innings. Against the fast bowling of Hopkins and Black, Hutton and Edrich batted cautiously. Edrich, in fact, was not timing the ball well, and after being nearly caught at mid-on before scoring, nicked a fast outswinger, and was caught low down in the slips. This was at 22.

Paynter hit out at once, but Hutton was content to play himself in for a long time, though he made some pretty strokes. The contrast between these Yorkshire and Lancashire players was very noticeable. Paynter found the bowling of the left-hander, Millin, to his liking, and he hit a full toss to the square leg boundary, and hooked him twice for 4. Millin struck Paynter a sharp blow on the leg, but the latter revenged himself by driving him straight for 6 to send the 100 up in 88 minutes.

Paynter was now scoring off nearly every ball, and even Hutton now began to attack the bowling. It had been a cloudy day, and slight rain fell during the interval causing a short delay in the resumption of play.

It was Hutton who showed the way, after lunch, but when 55 he made his first mistake, giving a chance to mid-on, and at 170, when he had made 68 in a stay of one hour forty-two minutes,

he was caught by Black, the home captain, off a straight drive.

100 IN 93 MINUTES

When in the 90's Paynter lifted a few balls dangerously over the wicket-keeper's head, but a single gave him his century, after ninety-three minutes entertaining batting. He had then hit a 6 and twelve 4s.

Hammond scored easily, and the spectators admired his graceful stroke play. In trying to stop a hard return from Hammond, Millin was hurt, and retired, the twelfth man fielding. Paynter attacked everything, and he and Hammond took 28 off one over. At 336, however, he was caught at the wicket off a skler.

SMARTLY STUMPED

In the opening over after tea, which had been taken at 369 for three, Hammond and Ames scored 21. Hammond got 19 of them, helped by two 6s. The 400 was up in three hours twenty-seven minutes, but a 407 Ames stepped out and, playing inside an off-spinner, was smartly stumped. At 428 Hammond did the same thing. Both were yards out of their crease.

The tourists were hitting out recklessly, and H. T. Bartlett left at 429, beaten by the pace off the pitch of an off-break. Valentine hit up 69 in

forty-four minutes before being beaten by the break, and stumped at 530. Wright left at 546, caught at mid-off from a cross, bat stroke. Verity was subdued by Cleigh's slows, but he had made 66 not out at the close.

SCORE BOARD

M.C.C.—First Innings

Hutton, c Black, b Luyt	68
Edrich, c Luyt, b Black	9
Paynter, c Kennedy, b Black	193
W. R. Hammond, st Kennedy, b Sleigh	106
Ames, st Kennedy, b Sleigh	31
H. T. Bartlett, b Sleigh	10
B. H. Valentine, st Kennedy, b Sleigh	69
Verity, not out	66
Wright, c Van Velden, b Sleigh	11
K. Farnes, not out	11
Extras	15

Total for eight wickets..... 589

Goddard to bat.

Bowling Analysis (to date)

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hopkins	20	0	108	0
Black	15	0	100	2
Miller	7	1	46	0
Sleigh	19	0	161	5
Luyt	20	0	147	1
De Villiers	2	0	12	0

Western Province Country XI:—J. Black, G. Northcote, D. Van Velden, D. de Villiers, A. Kennedy, E. Neethling, J. Luyth, J. Morkel, D. Hopkins, P. Sleigh, and H. Millin. Twelfth man—T. Matthews.



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H. LINDRUM WITHDRAWS FROM BILLIARDS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Horace Lindrum, the young Australian, will not take part in either the United Kingdom billiards or world professional snooker championships, which are to be played early next year.

He had entered for both, but arrangements have been made for Lindrum and Melbourne Inman to leave this country in February to tour South Africa and New Zealand.

BRITISH LIGHT-WEIGHT TITLE SITUATION

(By AIR MAIL)

London, November 10.

The plans of the National Sporting Club, in connection with the British Light-Weight Championship, include a fight between Johnny M'Grory (Glasgow) and Arthur Danahar (Bethnal Green), with a title contest against the holder, Dave Crowley, as the victor's prize.

M'Grory, former Feather-Weight Champion, has become a strong factor in the light-weight

situation following his easy victory over Crowley in a non-title fight at Earls Court on Monday night.

Danahar signed a few days ago to meet the winner of the M'Grory-Crowley bout, and Mr. John Harding, N.S.C. manager, told a reporter yesterday that he expects to put on a fight between M'Grory and Danahar in four weeks' time. The winner, it is hoped, will then be matched with Crowley for the championship.

HURST PARK'S NEW HURDLE RACE

A new hurdle race at Hurst Park on Saturday, March 11, is to be known as "The Triumph." It is for four-year-olds only, and the value is £1000, less deductions for the second and third.

The distance of "The Triumph" is two miles, and conditions are that each starter shall carry 10st 9lbs, with certain penalties. Entrance costs £5, £10 extra if not declared January 10, and £5 more if left in after February 28. Entries close on December 13.

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Scottish Football Triumph

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Wales Beaten In Grand Game

(By AIR MAIL)

Edinburgh, November 10.

TWO brilliant goals by Tommy Walker won for Scotland a hard-fought International soccer match with Wales which may be decisive in the International championship.

Walker's goals were the highlights of a great game, but until almost the closing minutes little was seen of the Heart of Midlothian star. He had not repeated his well-known "international form," which is something quite apart from his club form, and it must have been agreed that he was as near to being a failure as ever he will be.

Then, with Scotland pressing hard, without showing much prospect of scoring, a terrific left foot shot from 25 yards by Walker sealed the fate of a gallant Welsh eleven. Straight from the kick-off he repeated his effort—this time from nearly 30 yards—and the game was well won.

What mattered if the Welshmen fought back and reduced the leeway; the whistle went soon afterwards!

Walker's goals made the game memorable. Apart from that, however, it was a great match, with the Welshmen hard pressed, but moving a great deal better. They took the lead with a clean-cut move, and it required an all-in assault to produce the equaliser. It did seem that if a goal was to come it would fall to Wales, when Walker produced his flashes of football power and genius.

SCOTS BETTER SIDE

All over, the Scots were the better side, as the run of play could tell, but they had just enough faults to make their own work difficult. Ruling out Walker—who had not a good game apart from the scores—Shankly was the man of the match, here, there, and everywhere, covering up colleagues, and keeping the celebrated Bryn Jones in almost complete subjection.

Anderson played a captain's game, but it was always touch-and-go whether he made a clearance from the virile Cumner or not. His tackling



was superb, but he owed a great deal to the Preston man, who put in more running and hard work than anyone else on the field.

Other successes were hard to find in the Scottish side despite their victory. Even Delaney and Gillick, a staunch pair of wingers, missed a number of chances that should have had the match well won before. Walker took command. They were sound enough, but for men possessing the shooting ability they do, they were strangely hesitant near goal.

HALF-BACK ADVANTAGE

M'Culloch, at centre, was a good leader, clever in distributing the ball with his head. He met with little success, however, due to the inability of Walker or Beattie, the men alongside him, to hold the ball in face of a hard tackle.

If there was an advantage, Scotland probably had it at half-back. Shankly, as has been stated, put in a power of work, and Miller, for all his faults—and they were many—remained mobile. The Welsh middlemen were obsessed with a fear of Walker, and M'Culloch—possibly rightly, but it meant that they did not enter into the play as they might have done. Though the Welshmen tackled like demons on

SCOTLAND 3; WALES, 2

Scorers:—
Scotland—Gillick and Walker (2);
Wales—Astley and Leslie Jones.

occasion. Shankly and Miller saw to it that the ball was going forward, and they still found time to blot out the best of the Welsh attack.

Bryn Jones was scarcely in the game. He won admiration by splendid passing, but there was never any display of his thunderbolt shot or his clever dribbles, and for that the Scots must thank Shankly. Leslie Jones, an Arsenal clubmate, was a better man on the day, doing a great deal of out-field work, and gaining a fighting goal at the finish.

GOOD WELSH DEFENCE

In sheer defence, the Welshmen were better because Jones, the Everton pivot, accomplished a great deal of what is technically, as well as obviously, known as "stopping," and Hughes also kicked well. John, in goal smothered a lot of difficult shots, but was left helpless with Walker's unexpected volleys. He was quite blameless, for had the goals come earlier they would have had even greater effect, and would have ruined a grand, hard game.

Astley was to be admired as the Welsh leader, but he got all too few passes, and Baxter, a former Midlothian junior, better known to the Edinburgh public, perhaps, as a Braid Hills golfer, was able to wander in a way that few international pivots can do.

Behind him, of course, he had in Brown a man described as 'unorthodox' only because he likes to work. Brown is not the goal-line goalkeeper, who possibly saves many more shots, but he is the nearest approach to the great Harry Rennie that Scotland has had for years. Corner kicks and crosses were clutched or fisted away in a manner that made the work of clearance very easy to the backs.

One would say that the Beatties and Miller, who was rash with his passes, and probably the pivot, will have to do a great deal better if they are to reach Hampden for the match with England. Walker and Delaney both disappointed at times, but were always a potentially match-winning combination.

LIKE A CUP-TIE

In making criticisms, it must be remembered that the Welshmen were a team to be feared, tremendously fast on the ball, and quick in the tackle. They had by no means the better of play, but were the likelier winners until Walker's remarkable finish. They had a better understanding, although it must be said for the Scottish defence that they too worked well together, and the manner in which the Welshmen notched their first goal was enough to unsettle, if not strike terror

INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TO-DATE

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Scotland	2	2	0	0	5	2	4
Wales	2	1	1	0	6	5	2
England	2	1	1	0	9	4	2
Ireland	2	0	2	0	0	9	0

into, many another Scottish side.

The game was going like a Cup-tie in the early stages, and, unfortunately, free kicks were plentiful. The Scots, however, were on top when Dearing cleared from near his goal to Hopkins, a ready winger, who tore away, and a quick cross ended with the ball being turned into the goal by Astley. This was a beautiful goal, although most undeserved.

SCOTS GO NEAR

It required a lot of consistent pressure before the equaliser was gained. Walker had a shot saved and a header rebound from off the post, while M'Culloch and Beattie were only inches off the mark. Meanwhile, the Welsh raids were still carrying a great deal of danger, and it was not until Delaney came into the game with a grand relieving run that the Scots scored. A quick pass across the goal saw Gillick get there just in front of several Welsh defenders, and his thrust at the ball sent it into the net. He was trampled upon, and hurt in the process, but fortunately was able to resume in the second half.

Wales by this time were concentrating upon Anderson's seeming lack of pace, but the Heart of Midlothian full back and Scottish captain was always able to find the extra yard to hold Cumner and Bryn Jones. It was at this stage that Gillick and Delaney missed vital chances by running in with the ball and narrowing the shooting angle when they would have had better prospects with the first-time drives. There was also a lot of clever footwork by half-backs and forwards that ended inevitably with someone blocking the final shot.

A FRIGHT!

A fright for Scotland preceded the finish. Leslie Jones broke through only to shoot straight at Brown. The goalkeeper's clearance kick sent the ball sailing down the field. Walker veered left to receive a pass and—thump—the ball was high up in the net of the visiting goal. The "Hampden roar" of encouragement from the terracing had not been lost, and straight from the kick-off Walker repeated his score with a tremendous drive from nearly thirty yards.

Wales were not beaten, and just before the finish Leslie Jones scored.

It was a near thing for Scotland, although they were the better side and proved to be what the selectors intended them to be—a fighting side to match the spirited Welshmen.

There was an attendance of 34,800 in fine weather after heavy rainfall that made the pitch heavy, but did not interfere with the football.

SCOTLAND—Brown (Clyde); Anderson (Heart of Midlothian) and Beattie (A.) (Preston North End); Shankly (Preston North End), Baxter (Middlesbrough), and Miller (Heart of Midlothian); Delaney (Celtic), Walker (Heart of Midlothian), M'Culloch (Derby County), Beattie (R.) (Preston North End), and Gillick (Everton).

WALES—John (Swansea); Whalley (Tottenham) and Hughes (Birmingham); Dearing (Birmingham), Jones (Everton), and Richards (Birmingham); Hopkins (Brentford), Leslie Jones (Arsenal), Astley (Derby), Bryn Jones and Cumner (Arsenal).

JOCK M'AVOY'S EASY

WIN

Jock M'Avoy, of Rochdale, British middle-weight champion, beat Jack Strongbow (Leicester) in the fifth round of a ten rounds fight in Birmingham, the referee stopping the contest.

For M'Avoy the fight was a successful trial of the leg which he injured some time ago. It was his first bout since the mishap, and although giving away two stones to Strongbow—a heavy-weight—the champion had an easy victory.

WORLD'S GREATEST GOLFER

English Paper Names Locke

"Golfing," published in London, in the September issue, says of Bobby Locke: "His play in the two big challenge matches in which he took part last month marks him out as a future world-beater, if indeed he is not already the world's best golfer."

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In his 36-hole match with A. H. Padgham for £100 a-side, he had a score of 67 in each round at Selsdon Park, finishing 4, 4, 3, 3, 4, 3, to win by 2 up after being 2 down with six holes to play.

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In the 72-hole challenge match at Walton Heath, Locke and Sid Brews lost to Henry Cotton and R. A. Whitcombe by 2 and 1, but Locke's individual score over the four rounds was the best of the four by several strokes.

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The publication states that Locke may not complete in the next British Open, but it hopes to see him a strong favourite for the title in 1940.

CALL OVER FOR MANCHESTER NOVEMBER H'CAP

London, To-day.

The following is the latest call over for the Manchester November Handicap:

Papageno 21 to 2 t and o.
Solitaire 100 to 9 o, 12 to 1 t.
Trafalgar 100 to 8 t and o.
Velvet Cushion 100 to 8 t and o.
Aphrodisia 100 to 7 o, 15 to 1 t.
Tartan 100 to 7 o, 15 to 1 t.
Bughtrig 100 to 6 t and o.
May Wong 100 to 6 t and o.
Dragonnade 100 to 6 t and o.
Nadushka 18 to 1 o, 20 to 1 t.
Maranta 20 to 1 o.
Phosphor 22 to 1 o, 25 to 1 t.
Bird's Eye 22 to 1 o, 25 to 1 t.
Golden Martlet 25 to 1 o.
Carlino 25 to 1 o.
Queen's Shilling 25 to 1 o, 28 to 1 t.

Intolerance 33 to 1 o.
Mickey Mouse 33 to 1 o.
Battle Song 33 to 1 o.
Pactolus 40 to 1 t and o.
Ajar 40 to 1 o.
Jonker 40 to 1 o.
Elgar 40 to 1 o.
Highland Gypsy 66 to 1 t.
More Gossip 66 to 1 t and o.
Battle Queen 66 to 1 o.

—Renter.

KOWLOON GOLF CLUB

First Round Club Championship Results

The following were the results of first round matches for the Championship of the Kowloon Golf Club:

W. C. Simpson beat W. A. Ahern 3 and 2.
A. A. Lopes beat T. D. Paton at the 19th.
T. Lamb beat J. D. Thomson 5 and 4.
G. P. Murphy beat W. Groves 3 and 1.
W. Bastin beat E. Christensen 3 and 2.
W. A. Stewart beat S. Jex 3 and 1.
A. L. Eastman beat J. McKelvie 3 and 2.

D. S. ROBB RETURNS TO COLONY

D. S. Robb, well known local golfer and member of H.K.C.C., second eleven, returned to the Colony this morning from home leave accompanied by Mrs. D. S. Robb.

Spelling Bee From Studio: Uncles v. Aunts

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12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of a Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 p.m.—Billy Mayerl at the Piano. Twenty To One—Selection (Mayerl). Phil The Fluter's Ball (French, arr. Mayerl)....with Billy Scott-Comber (Vocal).

12.40 p.m.—Robert Renard Dance Orchestra. Laughing Saxophone—Fox-Trot. The Sparrows—Polka. The Tango Of My Heart—Tango. Dreams In Spring—Tango. Naughty Nanette—Fox-Trot. Castanets—Pasodoble.

1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Anton & The Paramount Theatre Orchestra with Al Bollington (Organ) & Val Rosing (Vocal). Ray Noble Medley. Intro: Brighter than the sun; If you'll say 'yes' Cherie; Love is the sweetest thing; By the Fireside; What more can I ask; Why the stars come out at night; The very thought of you; Goodnight sweetheart... Anton & The Paramount Theatre Orchestra with Organ.

Ask Your Heart (film 'White Lilac'); Chasing Shadows (Davis & Silver)....Val Rosing (Vocal) with Orch. "Wake Up And Live" Selection; "The Hit Parade" Selection....Anton & The Paramount Theatre Orches-

tra with Al Hollington (Organ). In A Little Gypsy Tea Room (Leslie & Burke); Louisiana Fairy Tale (Gillespie & Coots)....Val Rosing (Vocal) with Orchestra.

Bell Medley. Intro: Fire Bell (Kempinski); Legend of the Bells (Planquette); The Bells of St. Mary's (Adams)....Anton & The Paramount Theatre Orchestra with Al Hollington (Organ).

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 p.m.—Selections from Light Opera "Maritana", "The Quaker Girl" etc. "Geisha"—Selection (Jones) & "Belle Of New York"—Selection (Kerker)....Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards conducted by Capt. R. G. Evans. "Maritana"—Vocal Gems (Wallace)....Clara Serena, Francis Russell, Dennis Noble and Chorus with Orchestra. "Les Cloches De Corneville"—Selection (Planquette)....De Groot & His Orchestra. "The Quaker Girl"—Vocal Gems (Monckton)....Light Opera Company with Orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6 p.m.—Studio—Children's Hour.

7 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.02 p.m.—Handel—"Alicia" Suite. Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York conducted by Willem

Mengelberg.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—An Organ Recital from the Temple Church, Fleet Street, London, by G. Thalben-Ball.

7.45 p.m.—Rubinstein playing Chopin. Nocturne—In C Sharp Minor, Op. 27, No. 1; In G Minor, Op. 37, No. 1. Andante Spianato, Op. 22.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Brahms—Gypsy Songs, Op. 103. The Madrigal Singers conducted by Lehman Engel with D. Everett Roudeshus at the Piano.

8.12 p.m.—Studio—Z.B.W. Orchestra. 1. "L'italienne a Alger"—Overture (Rossini)....Orchestra. 2. My Dear Soul (Byron-Sanderson); O Dry Those Tears (T. del Rio)....Muriel Brunskill (Contralto) with Organ and Violin Obligato. 3. Pataphrase on "The Lereley" (Nesvadba)....Orchestra.

8.30 p.m.—London Relay—'At The Black Dog'. Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour. Presented by S. E. Reynolds and Pascoe Thornton.

9 p.m.—Studio—Z.B.W. Orchestra. 1. Piazza del Popolo (Frederiksen). 2. Caravan by Night (Ranzato)....Orchestra. 3. Seven Popular Spanish Songs (Falla)....Conchita Supervia (Mezzo-Soprano) with Piano Accomp. by Frank Marshall. 4. Waltz "Luxemburg" (Lehar)....Orchestra.

9.27 p.m.—Comedy Harmonists singing Humoreske (Dvorak).

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.50 p.m.—Studio—"Spelling Bee"—11 p.m.—Close down.

Uncles v. Aunts.

10.15 p.m.—Reginald Dixon at the Organ.

Irish Medley. Intro: Rakes of Morrow; Mother Machree; When Irish eyes are smiling; A Little Bit of Heaven; Garry Owen; Irish Washerwoman; Peggy O'Neill; Rose of Tralee; Killarney; St. Patrick's Day.

"Chorus Gentlemen, Please". Intro: Hunting we will go; Sally in our Alley; John Peel; Oh Dear what can the matter be; Londonderry Air; There's a Tavern in the Town.

10.25 p.m.—Dance Music & Variety. Dance Orch.—I Hadn't Anyone Till You....Gerald & His Orch. Vocal—It's D'Lovely (from "The Fleet's lit up")....Frances Day with Orchestra.

Dance Orch.—Tu Sais—Tango....Henry King & His Hotel Pierre Orchestra.

Humorous—The Girl Next Door (Miller)....Max Miller with Orch.

Dance Orch.—Samum—Symphonic Fox-Trot; Procession of the Sirdar—Fox-Trot....Sydney Kyte & His Band.

Vocal—L'Angelus De La Mer (Goublier)....Damia with Orchestra & chorus of the Folies Bergere directed by Gaston Lapeyronnie.

Vocal—Jean-Francois et Marie-Claire (Hermite)....Carmen Torres and Robert Buguet with Orchestra and chorus of the Folies Bergere directed by Gaston Lapeyronnie.

Vocal—The Old Basson (Ashlyn)....The Three Musketeers with Piano. Dance Orch.—I Can't Remember Her Name; A-Tisket A-Tasket—Fox-Trot....Billy Gotton & His Band with vocal chorus.

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North-South 40 on score

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♦ A Q 9 8 5 3
♣ A

♠ A 5 2
♥ A K Q 8 3
♦ K J 10 7
♣ 4

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♥ 10 9 8 5
♦ 3
♣ 8 7 6 5 2

♠ K Q J 9
♥ 8 4
♦ 6 4
♣ K Q J 10 9 3

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North East South West
1♠ Pass 3♣ Dbl.
2♦ Pass 3♣ 3♥
Pass Pass 4♣ Pass
Pass Dbl. Redbl. Pass
Pass Pass

Under the circumstances East's double was not so bad. He reasoned that his five trumps might prove troublesome, especially if Declarer could be forced to ruff hearts. West opened the King of hearts and, receiving encouragement, continued. After trumping, South went into a huddle. While under ordinary conditions he would draw trumps as quickly as possible, it appeared extremely likely that East's double could only be based on a long trump holding. Declarer therefore immediately played the King of spades. West won with the Ace and played a third heart, but this time Declarer, instead of trumping, discarded a diamond. In desperation West led a fourth heart. But now Declarer was able to ruff with dummy's Ace of clubs, enter his own hand with a spade and extract the rest of East's trumps.

Had Declarer played the hand in a normal manner, by first leading over to the Ace of clubs and then playing a spade, West by persisting with hearts would have been able to get Declarer to the point where he held fewer trumps than East, and the contract would have been set.

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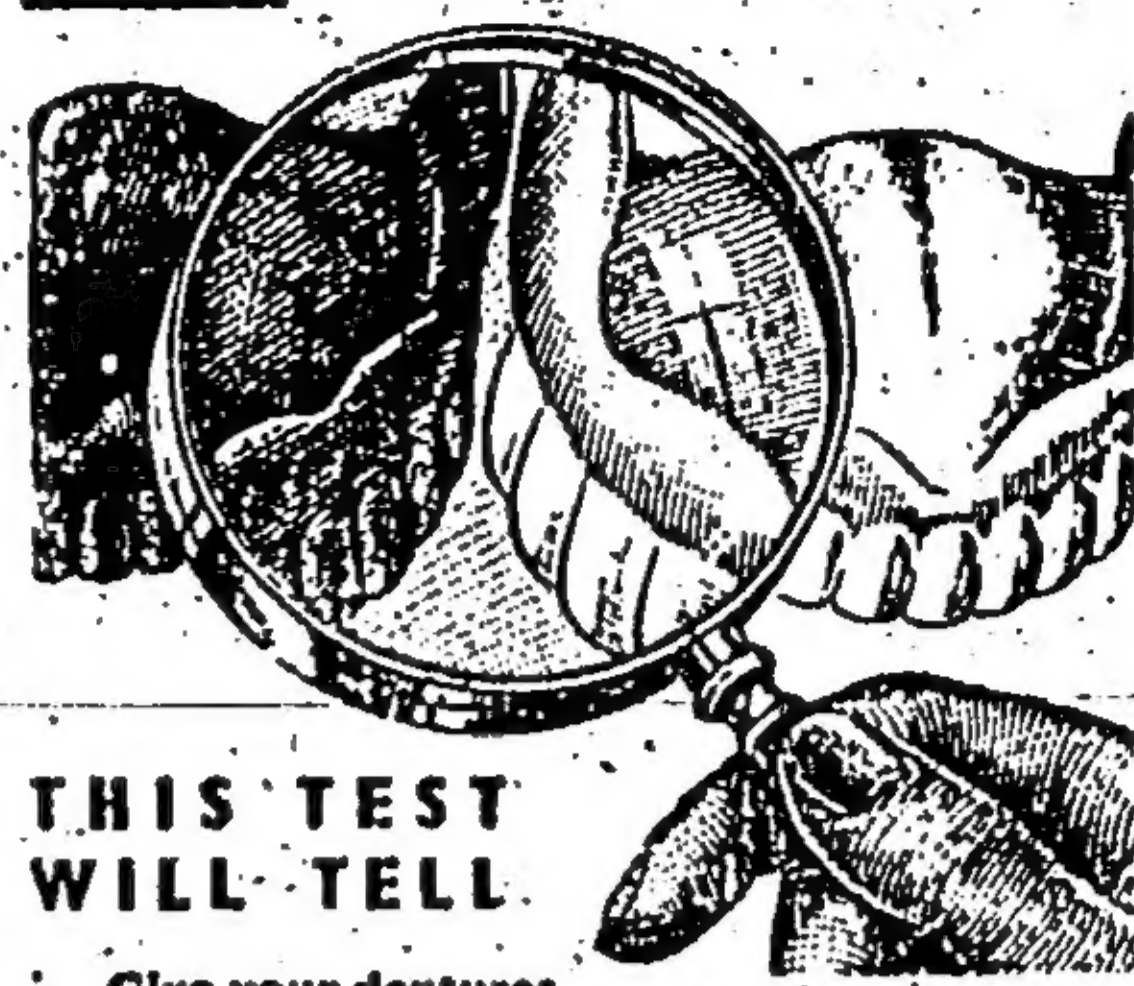
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THE AMBASSADOR'S INTERVIEW WITH CHIANG KAI-SHEK

London, To-day.

Suggestions that Britain had sought to press the parties to the Sino-Japanese war to mediation were discredited in the House of Commons at question-time yesterday, although Mr. Butler said that Britain would consider suggestions if made by both sides to Britain.

Mr. Butler had been asked by Mr. Arthur Henderson, Jun., whether he was prepared to make a statement on the recent discussions between Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr, the British Ambassador, and General Chiang Kai-shek.

Mr. Butler said that the Ambassador had recently paid a visit to Central and Western China in the course of his duties in order to maintain contact with the principal members of the Chinese Government. Various aspects of Sino-British relations were naturally discussed during the interviews with General Chiang Kai-shek.

NOT INSTRUCTED

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald replied in the negative when asked whether the interviews with the Generalissimo were sought by the Ambassador on the instruction of His Majesty's Government.

In reply to a supplementary question, Mr. Butler declared that the Government would naturally consider any suggestions made by both sides touching upon mediation.

JAPANESE PIN-PRICKS

Mr. Butler replied in the affirmative when asked whether any representations had been made to the Japanese Government at the refusal of postal facilities for British newspapers in the occupied area in North China.

He added that the newspapers affected were the "Tsingtao Times," and the "Peking and Tientsin Times."

As regards the "Tsingtao Times," deliveries were now proceeding smoothly except for some little interference which had been brought to the notice of the Japanese.—*Reuter.*

PEAK COOKBOY ARRESTED

Before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning, Chan Chi Ting, 42, cook, was charged with stealing three bottles of wine, and with offering a bribe of \$4 to a policeman.

Defendant was stopped on Peak Road by an Indian constable, who found two bottles of gin and one bottle of whisky. Questioned, defendant admitted that he stole it from his master.

On the way to his employer's house, he offered the Indian constable \$4 to over-look the matter. In Court, defendant denied the first charge, saying that he bought the wine.

Mr. W. F. Simmonds, of No. 15 Peak Mansions, told the Court, that defendant had been employed by him as a cook for ten months and had a good record. Defendant was formerly employed by a friend in Swatow for three years, and he asked his Worship to deal with him leniently.

The case was dismissed on the

BERLIN SILENT ON PROPOSED FRANCO-GERMAN DECLARATION

Berlin, To-day.

Political circles here maintain complete silence concerning French press reports concerning the alleged projected visit to Paris of the Reich Foreign Minister, Herr von Ribbentrop, at the end of November.

It is worthy of remark that the reports are not denied, and the general impression prevailing in German political circles appears to be that both Governments are anxious to encourage establishment of neighbourly relations and to develop a policy along the lines laid down at Munich.

It is believed that these matters were discussed in the course of the new French Ambassador, M. Coulondre's, conversation with Chancellor Hitler and von Ribbentrop, but it seems certain that no step will be taken on either side before conclusion of the visit of the British statesmen to Paris.—*Trans-Ocean.*

PUBLICATION REPORTED TO BE IMMINENT

Paris, To-day.

Publication of a joint Franco-German declaration of policy would appear to be imminent, according to diplomatic circles.

The circles in question state that complete agreement has been reached concerning the contents of the document.

The declaration is further stated to be very restricted in its scope and to be confined to generalities.

Diplomatic circles believe that the declaration will contain firstly, affirmation of Franco-German friendship, secondly, affirmation that the frontier is stable and that Germany has no demands on France of a territorial nature, thirdly, that the two countries are agreed to consult with each other in the event of difficulties of any sort arising.

Inquiries at the Quai d'Orsay elicited the reply that no information could be furnished regarding date of publication.—*Trans-Ocean.*

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RULES FOR PAYMENT OF FINE ON JEWS

BERLIN, TO-DAY.

THE STATEMENT CONCERNING THE PAYMENT OF ONE MILLIARD MARKS AS A COMMUNAL FINE FOR THE MURDER OF VON RATH IN PARIS, WAS PRONOUNCED YESTERDAY BY THE FINANCE MINISTER, COUNT SCHWERIN VON KROSIGK IN THE "OFFICIAL GAZETTE."

It is stated that all Jews of German nationality are required to participate in the payment, regardless of whether their place of residence is Germany or in a foreign country.

German Jews whose wealth does not exceed 5,000 Marks are relieved of any payment.

Payment of the fine has to be arranged in four instalments, which are due on December 15, 1938, February 15, 1939, May 15, 1939 and August 15, 1939 and must be made in cash.

In cases of mixed marriages between a Jew and a half-Jew or Aryan, only the property belonging to the Jewish partner will be assessed.

A list of ten paragraphs gives the Reich scope for decreasing or increasing individual payments as soon as the sum of one milliard reichsmarks is attained or it appears will not be reached.—*Trans-Ocean.*

first count, because Mr. Simmonds could not prove that the articles were his property. He was fined \$10 for second count. He was also ordered to sign a personal bond of \$50 for one year, and pay the sum of \$4 to the poor box.

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